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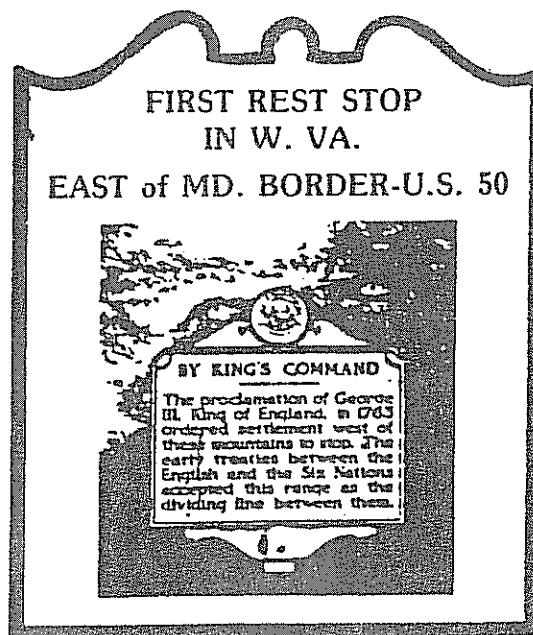


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## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

31 December 1988

Dear Members:

Here, at last, is your fall issue of the Journal! And, because I was so late in getting it together, I decided to include the winter issue with it. The fall season is my busiest time of the year in the craft business and there just wasn't enough of me to go 'round. The executive committee decided long ago to name our issues, Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer, rather than have them for a specific month. This is one of the reasons.

I do apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused any of you and send a big thanks to Raydine for answering all those letters inquiring about your issue.


You'll note that most of the articles in these issues were submitted by our members. Again, I urge each of you to submit stories about your family, cemetery records, - or documents or anything that might be of genealogical interest to others. Please type your material leaving at least one inch of white space around each of the four sides and include a permission to print with the submission.

Recently it has come to the attention of the executive committee that members have submitted articles for publication to newspapers, etc., and credit has been given to HCPD for submitting them, i.e., the articles are published as though they were official data released by HCPD. It is perfectly alright to list among your credits, when submitting articles to outside sources, membership in HCPD; however, the executive committee urges that they not be printed as official publications of HCPD unless reviewed first by the executive committee.

Plans are underway for the next gathering with the tentative date being August 11, 12 and 13. As soon as these dates are confirmed, we'll let you know so that you can begin to make your vacation plans. If you have not attended a gathering in the past, do so now. Personally, the gatherings are the "high" of my year. Looking forward to seeing all of you there.

A special thanks, this issue, to member Bennie Mitchell. Those of you who have researched in the Harrison County courthouse in Clarksburg have undoubtedly met Bennie. At least once a month Raydine or I receive correspondence from someone who says, "Mr. Mitchell said to write to you." Nine times out of ten the individual joins HCPD and meets up with many long lost relatives. Thanks, Ben, for being such a fine genealogist. HCPD grows because of folks like you.

Here's wishing each of you a prosperous and happy 1989 - and may this be the year that your long lost ancestor is found.



Jay Gilchrist  
Editor

## FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

Membership and maps: Our Secretary-Treasurer, Raydine Teicheira, is busy recording membership renewals and new members. She reports orders are coming in for the maps which show the past events of historic Hacker's Creek. (Thanks to Bob Smith for preparing the maps.) Every HCPD member can cherish these unique maps. Order yours today.

Incorporation: Vice President Jim Sims directed the paperwork for some "free help" from his attorney friends at Charleston. HCPD is now incorporated! Thanks, Jim, and thanks to Annarose Bowers for encouraging this important action to protect the members and officers.

New HCPD Library: Like persistent deer hunters, Bob Smith, Raydine Teicheira, Barbara McCarty, and Pres. Allman "hunted" in Jane Lew and Weston for several months for a location for the HCPD library. We telephoned, interviewed, and looked at and in garages, mobile homes, warehouses, city buildings, court houses and, finally, in a library (Louis Bennett Library, Weston). We had heard the library was full and overflowing and had no room at all. Thanks to a lady from Kentucky, Mrs. Josie Davisson, the librarian, who is re-organizing the available space with the support of the Library Board, we found one room. Raydine asked, "Could we have two rooms?" "Yes," was the answer. After the HCPD Executive Committee met for three executive sessions, an agreement was signed. Then, with a tasty lunch at Joy's and Charlie's home on October 4, 1988, Bill Waggoner, Bill and Bob Smith, Sheldon Findley (RC&D coordinator) and President Allman moved two vehicles loaded with boxes and boxes of HCPD historic materials, records, a file case and two wooden shelves from Coshocton, Ohio, to Weston, WV. It was a long day, but HCPDer's are a hardy, hard-working people. We had fun! Raydine and Joe cleaned the windows in the library while the rest of us made the trip. Voluntary help is needed to catalogue the data, classify, sort, identify, make a card file, establish security, etc. (Let us know when and where you can help.)

Copying HCPD materials: Over 14,000 sheets have been copied on our newly purchased A.B. Dick 985 Copier. Thanks to Ed Allman, HCPD Repository Chairman. Data loaned by Editor Joy to Ed has been transported back and forth from Ohio to WV and back to Ohio as the executive committee meets in Parkersburg. This will add valuable materials to our library.

New Brochures: HCPD has an up-dated brochure thanks to V.P. Jim Sims and his important contacts in Charleston.

Insurance: Past president Barbara Swisher McCarty is securing data concerning insurance for HCPD. Two types are being considered: Liability and fire. We need to know (1) approximate value of our HCPD materials; (2) cost of replacement; (3) extent of liability; and (4) cost of premiums for each of the two types. Barbara would welcome any and all assistance on these technical questions. Send your ideas and suggestions to her. (Contact YOUR insurance agent.)



Marriage Bonds of Lewis County: Thanks to the alertness of Bob Smith and Ed Allman, the aged, torn, and fading papers used in 1816 and later years, for the marriage bonds are being copied by HCPD members. (The bonds had never been copied or microfilmed.) Ed and Jean Allman brought the copier from Clarksburg to the Lewis County Court House. There, Raydine Teicheira, Irma Curtis, and Ed set up an assembly line where the marriage bonds were tenderly and gently unfolded, placed in plastic folders, copied, then carefully refolded and filed. President Maurice assisted in the process part time as he coordinated necessary carpentry work to install bi-fold doors on HCPD shelves at the new library location. The doors will be locked when HCPD members are not present at the library. Kenneth Stalnaker is one fine carpenter and he is volunteering his time to help HCPD. Bob Smith and the president contacted, earlier, the county clerk, county coordinator, and county commission members to seek their permission and to schedule the work of copying the precious marriage bonds. (I must say, as we copied, we took a few seconds to scan the names in the bonds to look for names of our respective ancestors. We found several names! That was our pay for two days work.) We estimate at least five more days if we stop at 1865. Joy suggested we copy to at least 1880 to probably find most of our respective grandparents. The Lewis County Commission is providing paper for their copies and HCPD is providing their own paper. I urged this arrangement since HCPD is doing the work and the commission is providing a room with security. (We would welcome some extra \$\$\$ to help cover cost of the copy paper. Approximately 30 reams of paper have been used and we will need at least another 30 reams - all of which will benefit our HCPD library. Remember - these donations are now tax deductible.)

Copyright or not to Copyright: Thanks to Annarose Bowers for her seven page research paper concerning what HCPD can and cannot copyright. We are studying her paper and this item will be on our next meeting's agenda.

Charleston, WV: Bob Smith, Raydine Teicheira and I attended a work shop there October 19, 1988. The CPA's and IRS of that area and the West Virginia Department of Culture and History conducted several sessions on how to prepare the state and federal forms used by non-profit organizations. We will welcome assistance from HCPD members to help us interpret the recent rules and regulations that apply to HCPD. (Please contact Raydine and/or me soon.)

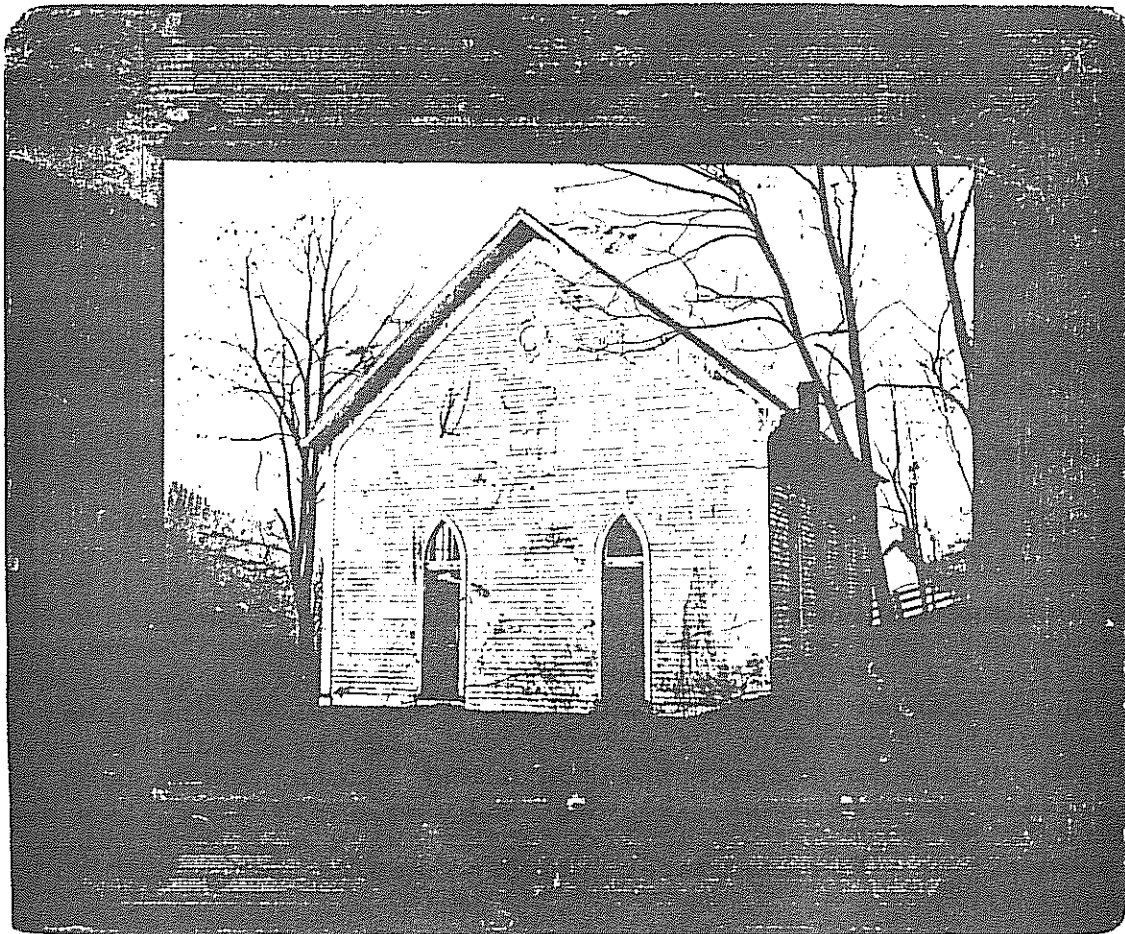
Budget: In Charleston, at the October 19 meeting, they emphasized the use of a budget. This document is dynamic and should reflect constant changes and amendments as needed. Income can increase or decrease. The same for expenses. In each meeting of the Executive Committee, the HCPD Budget is a high priority item and reflects our financial capabilities. If you have suggestions or ideas on this or any other aspect of our organization, please contact Raydine or I about attending the executive meeting. We usually meet each month in Parkersburg.)

HCPD Journal: This unique and valuable document prepared regularly by

Joy, Charles, Bob and Raydine is a GEM! Let us show our appreciation by renewing our membership and inviting new members. Also send in some of the data which you have prepared and share it with all HCPD.

Progress: If HCPD is making a few steps forward, it is because the past presidents Bob Smith and Barbara McCarty and editor Joy Gilchrist and their officers and committees have placed some good building blocks on which to construct further expanding services to HCPD members. We are grateful for their wisdom, work and wealth.

Maurice Allman



BRIDGE RUN CHURCH, UPSHUR COUNTY, WV

#### LOST AT GATHERING

Lost at Gathering - a book, WEST VIRGINIA COUNTY MAPS. Measures 11x16. Contains personal notations of old schools, graveyards and historical sites for Upshur, Lewis and Harrison counties. Please check your things. Return to Jan Cosgrove, 15 College Ave., Buckhannon, WV 26201.

From the Secretary's desk --

Time flits by but memories linger. The Gathering last August was successful as usual, with nearly one hundred and fifty people present for the various sessions.

Sorely missed were some of our most faithful and active members. The excessive heat forced Eleanor, Ruth and Martha Hacker to stay home. When brother Arthur appeared his first greeting was "Where are your sisters?" Don't worry, we were glad to see you two Hackers from Zion. Eleanor was honored queen at a big parade in her home town Labor Day weekend - we hope you enjoyed it!

Flodia Hitt missed attending for the first time. We know you're feeling better now, Flodia, and we'll look forward to seeing you next year.

As for the Pioneer Players - at this late date i still can't believe that a performance could bear absolutely no resemblance to the script. Sometime if we have space we'll publish the play so those who attended can see how it should have been. It was fun, though, and I don't know who caught the big fat toad I sat on!

We must'nt forget to thank Shirley White and her son for providing the two beautifully decorated cakes. They were as good as they looked, too.

Mail has been flowing into Box 37 in such quantities that the Postmaster allowed as how we get the most mail in town! It is indeed gratifying to hear that you enjoy the Journal and that you appreciate the work we do. We've had so many nice notes stuck in with renewal of membership checks that if I get one without a note i feel as I do when I get a Christmas card with no message.

You've read about our labors at the Courthouse. As I unfolded a marriage bond, once in a while a name would leap out at me. Just seeing your great-grandfather's name scrawled in faded ink provides the thrill that keeps genealogists on the trail.

Goodbye until next spring--

*Raydine*  
Raydine

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#### BIBLE RECORDS WANTED

Have an old Bible that has a family record? Know someone who does? Does it pertain to a Hacker's Creek area family - even if it's the family after it left W. Va.????

Please submit to HCPD for inclusion in a Journal or possibly in a published book of Bible records. We'd like a photocopy of the original record (where possible) together with a typed or legibly written copy of the record. We also need title page information from the Bible (publisher, date of publication), ownership of the Bible, description, etc. See Bible Records published elsewhere in this Journal for guidelines.

Send Bible Records, together with permission to publish, to Joy Gilchrist, 319 Center St., Coshocton, OH 43812.

## HACKER'S CREEK PIONEER DESCENDANTS MEETING

Jackson's Mill 4-H Camp, Friday, Aug.19,1988, at 7:00 P.M.

Joy Gilchrist introduced officers, the prayer was delivered by Howard Bonnett and members sang America the Beautiful.

Seventy-two people were present from WV, KY, VA, MO, IN, IL,NJ, OH, DE, MD, CA, FL and ME.

The Weave singing group entertained, and then John Randolph spoke. John is the director of culture and heritage at Jackson's Mill. He spoke about his hopes and dreams for a Cultural and Heritage Center to be located at the Mill. He hopes to bring credibility to Upper Hacker's Creek by preserving folk lifewith tangible presentations, and by emphasizing unique qualities of the areathrough singing, storytelling, etc. Mr. Randolph feels that development of a center will depend on participation of many agencies and organizations. Funding must come from collections, endowments and loans. Decisions must be made on how to allow people to enjoy and benefit from the center and surrounding historical area without destroying it, how records will be kept, and how to raise the funds necessary to accomplish aims.

An informal discussion followed, with members expressing opinions and offering suggestions for further activities and directions of the Society. Joy Gilchrist encouraged members to submit articles for the Journal.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

HCPD Business Meeting - Sat. Aug.20, 1988, at 10:30 A.M.

Joy Gilchrist called the meeting to order. Raydine Teicheira presented the third quarter financial report and proposed budget for 1988-89. Both were approved by the membership. The Executive committee suggested a plan to offer five years dues for \$75. Suggestion was rejected. Howard Bonnett proposed \$85 for five years. Irene Nickle seconded. Motion defeated. Elaine Post proposed 10% reduction, but dropped motion. The membership voted to maintain the \$20 yearly dues.

Amended by-laws were read by Ray Teicheira. They include changes made in order to conform to IRS standards to secure non-profit and tax-exempt status. Dennis Rodgers moved for acceptance, Jim Sims seconded, and amendment passed.

Dennis Rodgers, chairman of nominating committee, presented slate of officers as follows:

President - Maurice Allman

Vice-president - Jim Sims

Secretary-treasurer - Raydine Teicheira

Editor - Joy Gilchrist

The slate was accepted by acclamation. Barbara McCarty joins the executive committee as immediate past president.

Maurice Allman made a short presentation of acceptance. He hopes to lead HCPD to managable growth during his term. He would liketo have members consider contributing to Society for special projects. He appointed Ellie Maroon and Joyce Chambers to prepare new member informative packets to be sent to all new members. Jim Sims asked for input as to what people like or dislike about meetings and will distribute an evaluation sheet.

Annarose Bowers suggested that Society become incorporated in order to avoid legal entanglements.

Barbara McCarty thanked members and committee for their cooperation during her tenure as president.

Ed Allman presented a copy of a diary kept by Booth Bond which tells of a settler's life in the early 1850s. The diary is owned by Ireta Randolph, and a copy will be placed in our library.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

HCPD Meeting - Sat. Aug 20, 1988, 7:30 P.M.

Toastmistress Joy Gilchrist greeted almost one hundred members.

The Beulah Land Express sang several gospel songs.

Dr. Marvin Carr arrived as Bishop Francis Asbury. He described his early life in England. He was born in 1745, was sent to the colonies in 1771 by John Wesley as one of two superintendents. All ministers were recalled at the beginning of the Revolution, but Asbury remained in America. He remained for religious, not political reasons.

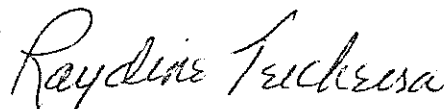
In the spring of 1784 he made his first trip over the mountains to Morgantown. As Bishop he earned \$64 per year. He supervised circuit riders who took thirty days to visit thirty churches. When they married they were assigned to one church.

In 1786 he was in Clarksburg, but never actually came to the Hacker's Creek area.

In 1800 tent meetings began in Kentucky. Hundreds of people gathered for several days or weeks for continuous revivals. Bishop Asbury crossed the mountains on horseback sixty times. Between 1771 and 1816 he traveled 275,000 miles and delivered 16,000 sermons. His last trip was in 1815-1816 when he was seventy-one years old. He began in Boston, thence to New York, Philadelphia, Zanesville, Cincinnati, Lexington, Nashville, Knoxville, SC, NC, ending at Richmond.

The Pioneer Players presented The Last Day of School in 1875.

Refreshments and social hour followed.



Raydine Teicheira  
Secretary-treasurer

## HACKER'S CREEK PIONEER DESCENDANTS

## FINANCIAL REPORT

YEAR ENDING 9-30-88

## INCOME:

Membership Dues	5267.00
Sales of back journals	1167.00
Sales of Early Families Book II	1159.85
Sales of Early Families Book I	662.95
Miscellaneous publications	155.50
General Cemetery Fund	205.85
Old Smith and Mitchell Fund	450.00
Miscellaneous Sales	493.15
Seminar Fees	3021.56
Interest Earned	87.97

Total income \$12,671.33

## EXPENSES:

Printing	5163.79
Postage	624.50
Office Supplies	2388.42
Other Supplies	213.00
Seminar Expenses	4563.65
Cemetery Maintenance	390.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	927.85

Total expenses \$14271.21

Excess of expenditures over income \$1599.88

Beginning bank balance 3599.09

Deposits 15,536.52

Disbursements 14,271.21

Ending book balance 9-30-88 4,864.40

\* Bank balance reflects prepaid dues of \$2827.00

## Hacker's Creek Pioneer Descendants Estimated Budget -1988-89

## Income:

Membership dues	\$5200.00
Sale of back Journals	600.00
Sale of Early Families books	300.00
Seminar - Gathering	375.00
General cemetery fund	150.00
Old Smith and Mitchell fund	600.00
Building and land fund	?
Miscellaneous sales	<u>150.00</u>
	7375.00

## Expenses:

Printing	\$4500.00
Postage	500.00
Office supplies	1000.00
Seminar expense	100.00
Cemetery maintenance	450.00
Film and developing	200.00
Contingency fund	<u>500.00</u>
	7250.00

\* Purchase of a copier would change office supply figure.

## HCPD LIBRARY RELOCATED

The HCPD Library, consisting of records of birth, marriage, death, family histories, local histories, maps, various books of census and publications on the early pioneer families and events of the Hacker's Creek Watershed and adjacent counties were recently moved to rooms in the Louis Bennett Public Library in Weston, W.Va. The library was formerly housed in Coshocton, Ohio, in the home of HCPD editor Joy Gilchrist. (See "From the Desk of the President" for further details.)

The library materials are presently being organized and catalogued and will be available for use by the members at some time in the spring or early summer. Rules for use of the library and hours will be announced in the next issue of the Journal. Watch for them!

Meanwhile, the Executive Committee is seeking donations (no loans, please) of books, manuscripts, pamphlets, photographs and other items of genealogical and historic value for the library files. One-time donations are welcome or join our newly established "Yearly Book Society".

To join the "Yearly Book Society", commit to purchase one book per year from the "MOST WANTED BOOKS" list which will be published from time to time in the Journal by completing the pledge form enclosed with the Journal and returning it to HCPD, PO Box 37, Jane Lew, WV 26378. Contributors will be noted in the quarterly Journal and a plate of recognition will be placed in the books.

All donors, whether one-time or members of the "Yearly Book Society", will receive receipts for income tax purposes.

HINZMAN Family History  
by  
Hartzel G. Strader

Henry HINZMAN and Charity COON were the progenitors of the HINZMAN family in West Virginia. Henry was a Revolutionary War soldier, and after discharge we do not know why or how he found his way into what is now Harrison County, W.Va. where he married Charity, 23 Sep 1794. Some historians state he was first a Hessian soldier, fighting for the British cause, and then enlisted in the Continental Army. A grandson David B. HINZMAN stated his grandfather serving against the Colonists to be without foundation, and was on the American side for three and one-half years and was wounded three times. If Henry had been a Hessian soldier, he would have been born in Germany. As he died in 1827 we have no way of knowing from census records as to his birthplace, except checking the 1880 census records of his four living children as to the birthplace of their parents. The information is confusing as no two agreed. The youngest daughter, Charity stated her father was born in New Jersey, John states Maryland, Thomas states Virginia and Mercey states Germany. All agree their mother was born in New Jersey.

The old adage that there is a little truth in every statement, may apply here, that Henry HINZMAN was of German descent of the Pennsylvania Dutch and likely born in or spent his early childhood in Windsor Township, York County, Pennsylvania which was in the disputed area claimed by both Pennsylvania and Maryland about the time of his birth in the 1750s. Windsor Township seemed to be the heart of HINZMAN locations at that time and by another ten to fifteen years later, some were in Hagerstown, Maryland and across the Potomac River in Hampshire County, Virginia (W.Va.).

Pennsylvania Dutch was a term bestowed on the German Palatinates driven out of Germany in the 1700s and given asylum in Pennsylvania by Queen Anne of England. In Oath of Allegiance 1727-1775 by William Henry Egle, pages 109 thru 112, we find "List of Foreigners imported in the Ship Hope, Daniel Reid master, from Rotterdam, Qualified Sept 23, 1734"

Men: Joh. Henrich HEINSMAN age 30  
Jorgen HEYNSMAN age 45  
Johanis HEYNSMAN age 16  
Women: Catherine HEYNSMAN age 45  
Susanna HEYNSMAN age 20  
Children: Anthony HEINSMAN age 11  
Maria Magdalena HEINSMAN age 9  
Joseph HEINSMAN age 15

The Joh. Henrich HEINSMAN was likely a younger brother of Jorgen. All other individuals of this party were most likely children of Jorgen and Catherine. Henry, the subject of this writing could have been a son of any of the above listed males except Jorgen who may be his grandfather.

Henry and Charity lived for a few years on Simpson Creek in what is now Harrison County, W.Va., later moving to the upper outskirts of what is now Berlin, Lewis County, W.Va. on Hackers Creek at a place known as Hinzman Hill. Upon this hill is a



Cemetery where Henry is likely buried and many of their descendants.

Children of Henry and Charity:

1. Abraham HINZMAN b. 29 June 1795, d. 19 Sep 1870 Lewis Co.  
1st m. 12 Aug 1817 Lewis Co.; Laurel Run, Lewis Co.  
1st w. Rebecca MEANS b. 1797, d. ca 1855  
d/o Robert MEANS and Mary HENRY  
2nd m. 8 Feb 1856 Lewis Co.  
2nd w. Elizabeth WOLFE
2. Thomas Columbus HINZMAN b. 23 Jul 1797, d. 23 Nov 1880  
m. 6 Apr 1820 Lewis Co.; res. Buckhannon Run, Lewis Co.  
w. Deborah STARCHER b. 13 Aug 1802, d. 14 Aug 1879  
d/o John STARCHER and Jane RADCLIFF
3. Sarah HINZMAN b. 6 Feb 1799, d. ?young  
m. 30 Dec 1816 Lewis Co.  
h. John SENSE  
s/o ?Henry SENSE
4. Mercey HINZMAN twin b. 19 Mar 1801, d. 22 Mar 1884  
m. 6 Dec 1821 Lewis Co.  
h. Joseph LINGER b. 24 Mar 1798, d. 19 Sep 1890  
s/o Nicholas LINGER I and Margaret McNEMAR
5. Elizabeth HINZMAN twin b. 19 Mar 1801, d. 6 Nov 1889  
Roane Co., W.Va. - Pleasant Valley Cem.  
m. 6 Apr 1818 Lewis Co.  
h. Robert R. RAINS b. 1795 Pendleton Co., Va., d. 13  
Jan 1864 Roane Co., W.Va. - Pleasant Valley Cem.  
s/o ?John RAINS  
?2nd h. Stephen HUGHES
6. Henry HINZMAN Jr. b. 20 Mar 1803, d. Nov 1855 Lewis Co.,  
- Hinzman Hill Cem.  
m. 11 Nov 1823 Lewis Co.  
w. Mary Jane STARCHER b. 1805, d. Jan 1870  
d/o John STARCHER and Jane RADCLIFF
7. William HINZMAN b. 19 Mar 1805, d. before 1850 Lewis Co.  
m. 29 Aug 1822 Lewis Co.  
w. Mary MEANS b. 1801  
d/o Robert MEANS and Mary HENRY
8. David HINZMAN b. 10 May 1807, d. killed by fall while  
skating on ice on Hackers Creek at about age of 10.
9. Mary HINZMAN b. 29 Jan 1811, d. in Jackson Co., W.Va.  
m. 19 Oct 1827 Lewis Co.  
h. John M. RAINS d. 1867 Jackson Co., W.Va.  
s/o ?John RAINS
10. John HINZMAN b. 11 Jul 1813, d. 1867 Roane Co., W.Va.  
1st m. 9 Feb 1837 Lewis Co.  
1st w. Margaret BONNETT b. 1815, d. 1846  
d/o Samuel BONNETT  
2nd m.  
2nd w. Malinda b. 1815
11. Rebecca HINZMAN b. 19 Jul 1816  
m. 21 Mar 1839 Lewis Co. res. Roane Co.  
h. George H. WHETZEL
12. Charity HINZMAN b. 25 Feb 1819, d. 26 Dec 1890 Roane Co.  
- Pleasant Valley Cem.  
1st m. 14 Jan 1836 Lewis Co.

1st h. Joshua BENNETT  
2nd m. 10 Oct 1837 Lewis Co.  
2nd h. Stephen STARCHER b. 22 May 1813 Lewis Co., d. 12  
Aug 1890, Roane Co., W.Va. - Pleasant Valley Cem.  
s/o John STARCHER and Jane RADCLIFF

Lewis County, West Virginia County Court Order Book, Volume  
1 page 236. The Last Will and Testament of Henry HINZMAN.  
Written 8 Jan 1827, probated July 1827.

#### Henry Hintzman's Will

In the name of God Amen, I Henry Hintzman of the County of  
Lewis and state of Virginia, being sick and weak in body but of  
perfect mind and memory calling to mind the mortality of my body  
and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, Do make  
and ordain this my last Will and Testament, viz -

It is my Will and I order that all my Just debts and funeral  
expenses be paid and satisfied.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my son Abraham, Henry,  
William, and John each one Dollar to be lived out of my Estate, I  
give and bequeath to my Daughters Martha, Elizabeth, Polly,  
Rebeckah and Charity each one dollar to be likewise lived out of  
my Estate and the remaining part of my estate Both Real -  
personal I give to my beloved wife Charity during her natural  
life to support and Educate the children that are  
man and woman - and I do hereby declare tat this is my last Will  
and Testament and I do utterly revoke, disallow and dismiss all  
and every other will and testament, declaring this and this only  
to be my last will and testament. I likewise appoint my son  
Thomas, Executor of this my last Will and testament. In  
testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 8th  
day of January 1827.

Witness

John Mitchell

David Keith

His  
Henry X Hintzman  
mark

Lewis County Court, July Term 1827. This Will and testament of  
Henry Hintzman was presented in open Court and proved by the oath  
of John Mitchell and David Keith subscribing witness thereto  
according to law and admitted to record.

Teste D. Stringer C.L.C.

Charity applied for a Revolutionary War Widows pension, the  
statement published in the Border Settlers by McWhorter, pg. 506:  
"In October 1859 a certificate was granted to Charity Hinesman  
for \$23.33 per annun with back pay from March 4, 1848. On Sept  
4, 1860 her name was dropped from the pension roll, but was  
reinstated 16 June 1866. In her petition made 26 May 1865, at  
the age of 105 in the County of Roane, state of W.Va., Charity  
Hinesman testified that she was unable to labor on account of her  
advanced age and that she had not in any manner encouraged the  
rebels. She d. 13 March 1872 at the home of her son-in-law  
Stephen STARCHER near Spencer, Roane County at 112 years.  
Records in the Treasury Dept. show that at the time of her death  
Mrs. Hinesman was receiving \$10.27/month and the last payment was

made to Stephen Starcher Administrator".

Widows Pension Record of Charity (COON) HINZMAN No. W 3549 BLWt 73598-160-55 granted on the services of her husband Henry Hinesman of the Continental Penn. Line, as copied from records of General Services Administration, Washington, DC 20408.

Wheeling: Charity Hinesman, widow of Henry who served in the Revolutionary War, as a Private. Inscribed on the Roll at the rate of 23 Dollars 33 Cents per annum, to commence on the 4th day of September 1860. Certificate of Pension issued the 16 day of June 1866 and sent to Geo. A. Jackson, Weston, West Va. Recorded on Roll of Pensioners under act July 29, 1848, page 146, Vol. 26.

State of Virginia, County of (Lewis, marked out) Roane, S.S.

On this 18 day of April A.D. 1857, personally appeared before me an acting Justice of the Peace within and for Said County and State, Mrs. Charity Hinsman, aged 88 years, who is a resident of the county aforesaid who being duly sworn according to law doth dipose and Say that She is the Widow of Henry Hinsman late of Said County deceased.

Who in his lifetime represented himself as having been a Soldier in the American Revolutionary War. That in the year 1780, he Volunteered at the City of Philadelphia for the term of Seven or Nine months, as she had heard him frequently say in the Company Commander of Captain \_\_\_\_\_ Gray, and was attached to Colonel Proctors Artillery. That after said term of Service expired he then enlisted for the term of three years, and served until the close of the said War, then he was again discharged in the City of Philadelphia. That Said Services, was as she thinks from the best of her recollection of said Husbands frequent conversations, many years Since, respecting the War. In the company commanded by one Capt. Kennada, and in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Butler and thinks she has heard him Say that it was the Fourth Pennsylvania Regiment. That she the said deponent may be mistaken, as to the names of officers and dates in consequence of Superanuation and the great length of time since the death of her said Husband which is near Thirty years.

She further States that she was married to him the Said Henry Hinsman at the County of Harrison, Va. on the sixteenth day of September in the year A.D. 1794 by one John Loveberry who was a preacher in the Baptist Church and that her name prior to her marriage was Charity Coon. That her said Husband died at the County of Lewis, State aforesaid on the 24th day of December A.D. 1827.

That she is now a Widow and has not intermarried since the death of her said Husband, the said Henry Hinsman. And that she has not heretofore made any application for Bounty Land nor received Bounty Land from the United States under any act of Congress.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land to which she may be entitled under the act of Congress approved March 3, 1855 and c. And authorizes F.F.A.

Wilson of Meadville Penna and Geo. C. Ames, Esqr of Washington City, D.C. as her true and lawful Attorneys in the projection of the same and prays the department of the Interior that in consequence of her advanced age and indigency of circumstances that her claim may be examination early day.

Her  
Charity X Hinesman  
mark

Family Record from the old Bible of Henry Hinsman & Charity Coon was married in the year of our Lord 1794 September the 16th 1794. (prints received by HGS from GSA Dept. - which seems to indicate the actual pages from the Bible are on file with the pension application in Washington, D.C.)

Birth of children (note the varied spelling of the surname)

Abraham Hinsman was born the 29 day of June 1795

Thomas C. Hinsman was born the 2nd day of March 1797

Sarah Hinesman was born the (?6) day of Feb 1799

Mersey & Elizabeth Hinesmsn was born the 19th day of March 1801

Henry Hinesman Junr. was born 20th day of March 1803

William Hinesman was born March the 19th 1805

David Hindsman was born May the 10th 1807

Mary Hinesman was born the 29th day of June 1810

John Hinesman was born the 11th day of July 1813

Rebecca Hinesman was born the 19th day of July 181(6)

Charity Hinesman was born the 25 day of Feb 1819

We Jacob H. Bonnett and William Carter do certify that the above is true copy of the old family Bible of Henry Hinesman dec. in the possession of his widow Charity Hinesman Given under our hands this 18 day of April 1857.

Jacob H. Bonnett

William Carter

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 18th day of April 1857.

Wm. Gandee

State of Virginia

Court of Roane

On this Fourth day of April in the year A.D. 1859 personally appeared in open court of Record holder, within and for said county and State aforesaid, Mrs. Charity Hinesmand who is a resident of said county and state, aged between 90 & 100 years.

Who being duly sworn according to Law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed on the 29th day of July AD 1848.

That she is the widow of Henry Hinesman late of Lewis County, State aforesaid deceased Who was a Private in the War of the American Revolution and she frequently heard him relate in his lifetime To Wit: That he enlisted or volunteered at the City of Philadelphia in the Summer of 1779 or 1780 for the term of some six or nine months and was attached she thinks to the Artillery.

That having been honorably discharged from said Service at the expiration of said term he again enlisted to serve three years and served in one of the Pennsylvania Regiments until the close of the War thinks in July or August 1783 thinks the Regiment was commanded part of the time by Col. Butler, That in

consequence of loss of memory by age and lapse of time since the death of her said Husband she is unable to give the names of his officers. Thinks the name of one of his Captains was Gray or Kennada That his second enlistment was about the time of the Revolt of the Pennsylvania Line at which time several of the Regiments was consolidated.

She further declares that she was married to the said Henry Hinsman at Harrison County, Virginia on the 16th day of September 1794 by one John Loveberry a Preacher of the Baptist denomination. That her name prior to her marriage with the said Henry was Charity Coon. That the said Henry Hindsman her husband died at Hackers Creek, Lewis County, Virginia on the 24th day of December 1827. She further swears that she was a widow at the passage of the Act and is still a widow and that she has never before made application for a United States pension But has received Bounty Land from the United States under Act 3d March 1855 that the record evidence of her marriage and Births of Children and death of Husband was filed with the papers of her declaration for said Bounty Land and asks that reference may be had thereto for proof of same.

Witness

Henry Glaze

Abram Raines

Her

Charity X Hinesman

mark

Sworn and Subscribed before me the Presiding Justice of the aforesaid court of Record holden at Spencer in and for the County of Roane, State aforesaid on this 4th day of April AD 1859 and I certify that the consequence same was signed in open court.

David Sergeant R.H.

The published histories of Border Settlers by Lucillus McWHORTER and the KUHN Family History by Dr. Rev. Cline KUHN state Charity died at age 112 but searching the census records, her birth date would be in 1766, therefore she was age 106 at death. A grandson stated she was 104. Her gravestone in the Pleasant Valley Cemetery in Roane County, W.Va. show Charity w/o Henry HINZMAN d. 13 March 1872, aged 114 years.

Although many descendants would like to boast of having an ancestor of such a longevity of 106 to 114 years, most are skeptical. We shall try to further analyze to better determine Charity's age at death. The SUTTON Family History states Charity's parents were Mary COZAD b. 1756 and John COON of Sommerset County, N.J. John was killed by Indians about 1774 and Mary then married Benjamin CUTLER in 1775. Mary died 14 Jun 1811 and is buried in Fairborn, Greene County, Ohio. If we go by the above figures, the mother would have been 4 or 10 years of age at Charity's birth, also Charity would have been 59 when her last child was born. Biologically speaking all these figures appear to be absurd. We shall back off a bit and take into consideration the SUTTON Family information, Charity and Henry's marriage bond and also the biological factor. On the marriage bond in Harrison County, W.Va. courthouse states Charity was age 21 and signed by Thomas BERRY and Mary CUTLER. That could only mean she was over legal age, but we shall assume her actual age as being 21, therefore born in 1773 and her mother would have been age 17 which would not be unreasonable. Charity's age at

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last child's birth would be 46, another reasonable deduction. By taking these factors into consideration, Charity's age at death would be 99 - a ripe old age that any descendant can be proud.

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HENRY HARDMAN  
by James Sims

Henry Hardman (1781-1870), the son of Peterman Hardman, married Elizabeth Hacker on 19 Sep 1808. The first child of Henry and Elizabeth Hardman was Charlotte who was born in 1809 and married John Wetzel on 4 May 1829 in Lewis County by John Talbott. Henry and Elizabeth were still in Harrison (Lewis) Co, (W)Va, in 1810 with their first child because they were listed in the 1810 census.

The second child of Henry and Elizabeth was John D. Hardman, who was born in 1811. He married Mary Life.

Henry Hardman was in Greene County, OH, because he enlisted 27 Apr 1812 as a private in Captain Samuel Stewart's company of the Ohio. (Hardman by Paul Hardman)

In 1813 Elizabeth gave birth to her third child, Margaret, and Elizabeth died shortly thereafter.

After the death of Elizabeth, Henry returned to the Lewis County area and married Julianna Rinehart on 14 Apr 1815. Henry and Julianna had at least four children: Annie M., b 1818; Thomas R.; David; and Louisa, b 1834.

Please note the following mistakes in HCJ Vol. III, p 180.

- (1) "The month after her marriage to Henry . . . they started out to seek a new home on the Mad River in Green Co., Ohio" but Henry and Elizabeth were included in the Harrison County census of 1810.
- (2) "continued to reside until the fall of 1811 at which time Elizabeth gave birth to her first child, a girl who was named Charlotte" but Charlotte was born in 1809 and Elizabeth did not die in 1811 but in 1813. (Harmans by Paul Hardman, p. 56 Margaret Hardman who married a Wetzel was in the 1880, Lewis County, WV census and lists her age as 67. This means she was born about 1813. In Hardesty's Lewis County, it says that the mother of Henry Biven Wetzel, Margaret, was born in Ohio.)

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There's nothing like having the electricity go off to put the good old days in proper perspective. Who said that ?

Just when you get to the point where the menu prices don't matter --- calories do. That wasn't me.

LOST CREEK, May 11, 1935

SMITH

"Uncle Ed" and "Aunt Bird" Smith, who last fall celebrated their sixty-first wedding anniversary, knew West Virginia while it still was a part of old Virginia and recollect well incidents of the state's formation.

To strangers they are Mr. and Mrs. Edward N. Smith but to folks in this section they are known as "Uncle Ed" and "Aunt Bird". Both were born and reared in the vicinity of Lost Creek and both still love the land the years have taught them to reverence more.

Fourth Generation

"Uncle Ed" represents the fourth generation of his family in America. His great-grandfather, Thomas Smith, was born in England, May 23, 1734, and emigrated to New Jersey in 1760. According to records in the offices of the adjutant general of that state, "Thomas Smith served as a private in the first regiment, Monmouth, New Jersey Continental Line; also, private, New Jersey state troops during the Revolutionary War."

The Smith family records, taken from New Jersey data of marriage certificates and wills and from the Bible of Walter Smith entered in his handwriting, gives the following information:

Thomas Smith was born in England and came to Trenton, N.J. about 1760. He married Sarah, the second child of Joseph, Jan. 25, 1764. Her grandfather, William Green, came to America from England about 1700 and married Jeanna Reader. Sarah Green was born in Hunterdon County, N.J., August 19, 1744. Thomas Smith died in Monmouth County, N.J. October 17, 1799, in his fifty-seventh year.

The following are children of Thomas and Sarah Smith: John Smith, born, married and died in New Jersey. Watters Smith, born July 15, 1767, died March 23, 1849 in Harrison County, Virginia. Hannah and Nancy Smith died single. Hannah died August 12, 1803. Rebecca Smith married Samuel Morris in New Jersey and moved to Harrison County, Virginia in 1818. There is no date for the birth or death of Joseph Smith, the youngest child.

Joseph Smith was a sickly child and tradition says that he was sent to England to visit relatives there. The ship on which he sailed was wrecked and he was drowned. Grief over his death caused the death of his mother, Sarah Green Smith, November 15, 1801.

Watters Smith married Elizabeth Davisson, daughter of William Davisson of New Jersey, about 1793. William Davisson was a neighbor of Thomas Smith, and Elizabeth was a first cousin of Watters Smith, her husband. Watters Smith came with his wife's family from New Jersey to Fayette County, Pennsylvania, and lived near the home of Albert Gallatin, serving as a militiaman in the Whiskey Rebellion.

In the spring of 1796 Watters Smith and wife moved to Duck Creek, Harrison County, Virginia, and located on a farm which he purchased from John Punt, a former sheriff, for sixty pounds. The deed bears the date of Jan. 21, 1792.

Thomas Smith, father of Watters, had purchased on September 18, 1787, a tract of one thousand acres adjoining the Watters Smith farm from the same owner. This tract was afterwards bought by William Davisson and settled on by two of his heirs, William Davisson, Jr., who married Mary Marple of Philadelphia, and Anna Davisson Gaston, wife of John Gaston. The deed to the latter tract is a prized possession of the Gaston descendants. It is engraved on parchment, the date and descriptions of the tract filled in with fine old script. The land was deeded to John Frunty, the survey having been made October 1, 1785, and signed at Richmond, Virginia, by Patrick Henry, then governor of the Commonwealth..

During the British occupation of Philadelphia Mary Marple was a companion of Sir Henry Clinton's daughter and was a Tory.

The Smith, Gaston, and Davisson families were joined in making a permanent settlement on Duck Creek by the West brothers, Job, Nathan, and Nathaniel who came from Pennsylvania.

Watters and Elizabeth Davisson Smith lived on what is now the A. A. Smith farm on Duck Creek. To them were born eight children: Sarah, born April 25, 1794, married Benjamin Holden; Charles, born November 3, 1796, the first white child born on the waters of Duck Creek, married Mary Grant, was the grandfather of Edward G. Smith, president of the Board of Governors of West Virginia University and Attorney Harvey F. Smith of Clarksburg; Elizabeth (Betsy) Smith, born August 20, 1808, married James Bailey; John Smith, born November 12, 1810, married Mary Maddox, daughter of Matthew Maddox; Watters Smith, Jr., born September 2, 1804, married Ruanna West, daughter of Job West.

Watters Smith, Sr. died in 1849 and his wife, Elizabeth, died July 20, 1893. Both were buried in the Broad Run Baptist Church Cemetery. They were charter members of the Broad Run Church. A quotation from the West Virginia Review for July 1932 follows:

"The Society for the Broad Run Church dates back to February 5, 1804, when Elder John Carney of the West Virginia Board of Missions held a meeting probably at the home of Watters Smith on Duck Creek, Harrison County. An organization was formed to be known as the Good Hope Baptist Church, with Smith as Deacon and Job West as clerk. Other charter members were Mrs. Watters Smith, Mrs. Job West, Samuel Homine and wife, and Solomon Squires and wife. Job West kept the records on brown paper. They were written with a pencil made of lead bullets. The name of the church was formally changed from Good Hope to Broad Run in 1818."

Watters Smith, Jr. and Ruanna West were married by the Rev. Jacob Bennett November 6, 1829. According to records in their old Bible, now in possession of Everette Edmonds of Duck Creek, one of the great grandchildren, their children were as follows: Sally Ann, born May 9, 1829; Thomas, born April 20, 1830; died May 20, 1830; Gilbert, born September 12, 1831, died November 23, 1831; John, born March 10, 1833 and died April 12, 1833; James, born September 1, 1834, died October 22, 1834; twins, William and Wellington, born August 9, 1835, Wellington died December 8, 1841; Mary, born February 3, 1838; Elizabeth, born March 2, 1840; Andrew J., born April 5, 1842; Eliza, born March 30, 1844; Watters III, born July 7, 1846, died September 2, 1846; Virginia, born November 4, 1849, died January 2, 1850; and Edgar Newton, born September 7, 1851.



The Smiths clearly recall that the Civil War brought to the section that is now West Virginia a period of distress and uncertainty. They were torn between sympathy for the southern people and allegiance to the Union. Life long friends and neighbors were then discovered to be bitter enemies. Men were ruled by passion rather than by reason. Smith was a Democrat and southern sympathizer and was one day the victim of a neighbor's perfidy. While working in the fields he was approached by four soldiers who told him he was summoned to appear before military court at Weston.

Smith asked if he might eat dinner and dress before going and invited the soldiers to eat also. They gave him permission to do this but declined dinner. They went on leaving him "on his honor" to appear at court. He went on foot to Weston and found the officers in a different mood. Instead of being given a trial, he was immediately thrown into jail to wait transportation to Camp Chase, the Federal Military Prison near Columbus, Ohio. It was learned later that the charge against him was that one of the older Smith daughters had danced on a flag in derision of the Union. A prominent member of the community whose views were different from those of Watters Smith told this story which years later he admitted was an injustice. The three months imprisonment almost cost Smith his life as the poor quarters of the jail brought on a serious illness.

A friend learned the day the prisoners were to be taken from Weston to Camp Chase and wrote to Mrs. Smith. She prepared clothing and other articles and took them to the crossroads where the hack would pass. Edward Smith, then a young boy, went along with her and just before the hack moved on his father called to him, "Ed, get this". He then pitched him a silver half-dollar which Mr. Smith still has. The coin is much worn, but as near as can be ascertained bears the date 1799.

While the elder Smith was still at Camp Chase an effort was made to send Mrs. Smith and her children farther south. It was thought that this was the maneuvering of two neighbors who planned to appropriate for their own use the crops and stack of hay of the Smith's. At least, when they returned unexpectedly, the cow and calves had been separated and one neighbor was milking the cow.

"Uncle Ed" chuckles in his recollection that this neighbor got his corn planted so late that year that his crop was almost a failure.

Taken to Clarksburg, Mrs. Watters Smith appeared before the magistrate there and made an oath that she had no friends or relatives further south and her support was in Camp Chase. Then after individually swearing allegiance to the Union, she and the children were allowed to return home. She paid a cab driver five dollars to take her and the children back to Duck Creek.

The adults have always considered it a great joke on "Uncle Ed" that when asked what he wanted for breakfast he replied "Chicken". Doubtless it was disappointing to him as a lad when after he had requested chicken, he received only black coffee and some hard bread. The first night they were in Clarksburg the Smiths and others in custody of the Union soldiers slept in the old Episcopal Church on Main Street. Mr. Smith recalls that the sexton

refused the officer, Captain Les Brown, keys to the church, so the Captain called some of his husky guards and forced open the doors to gain entrance. That night young Ed slept lustily on the floor between the pews. They spent the following night at the Bartlett Hotel.

Meanwhile Watters Smith, his father, had fallen critically ill in Camp Chase. Acting on the advice of a Clarksburg lawyer, Mrs. Smith circulated a petition for the release of her husband and took it to Columbus in person. (Other petitions to the same effect had never gotten beyond the local offices.) There she was allowed to take Mr. Smith to a hotel and care for him while the petition was sent to Washington. A physician advised Mrs. Smith to give her husband whiskey baths twice daily, and it is said these saved his life. In ten days they were permitted to return home; Mr. Smith under \$4,000. bond for the duration of the war and still in a precarious state of health.

Andrew J. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Watters Smith, served in Company E under William L. Jackson in the rebel army. He was a delightful raconteur and most interesting individual. He delighted in telling his youthful escapades.

That summer young Edward was the man of the house and plowed corn with an old shovel plow, while the women folks hoed it. It was a large field of new ground and Mr. Smith recalls that they had a thousand bushels of corn, which was considered a bumper crop.

Watters Smith died February 19, 1880, and his wife died December 4, 1890. Both are buried in the Broad Run Cemetery.

The Gastons, according to tradition, are descendants of a French nobleman, and were among the Huguenots driven from France by the Catholics. They first went to Ireland, then later three brothers came to America. One of these settled in Massachusetts, one in New Jersey, and the other in North Carolina. The town of Gastonia is said to be named for one of the descendants, Juge Gaston. With the New Jersey branch those on Duck Creek are most concerned, although due to a fire in a New Jersey courthouse which destroyed the records, it is impossible to trace the lineage beyond a certain point.

The first of the Gastons on Duck Creek was John Gaston who arrived there about 1799 with his wife, the former Ann Davisson, from New Jersey. He built a cabin on the east side of the road just north of the residence of Charles Gaston. He was a blacksmith. The gravestones in the old graveyard on the Harley Gaines farm show that he was born in New Jersey in 1753 and died on Duck Creek April 6, 1829. Ann D. Gaston was born February 19, 1765 and died August 8, 1854 according to Bible records.

Submitted by Ruth Seeley Strother

Information courtesy of Lewis C. Swisher

## HCPD MEMBER RECEIVES STATE HONOR

Lewis C. Swisher of Lost Creek owns the Lewjack Farm. This farm has been owned by the same family for more than 200 years.

As such Mr. Swisher is one of 38 "bicentennial farms" owners recognized by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), in West Virginia.

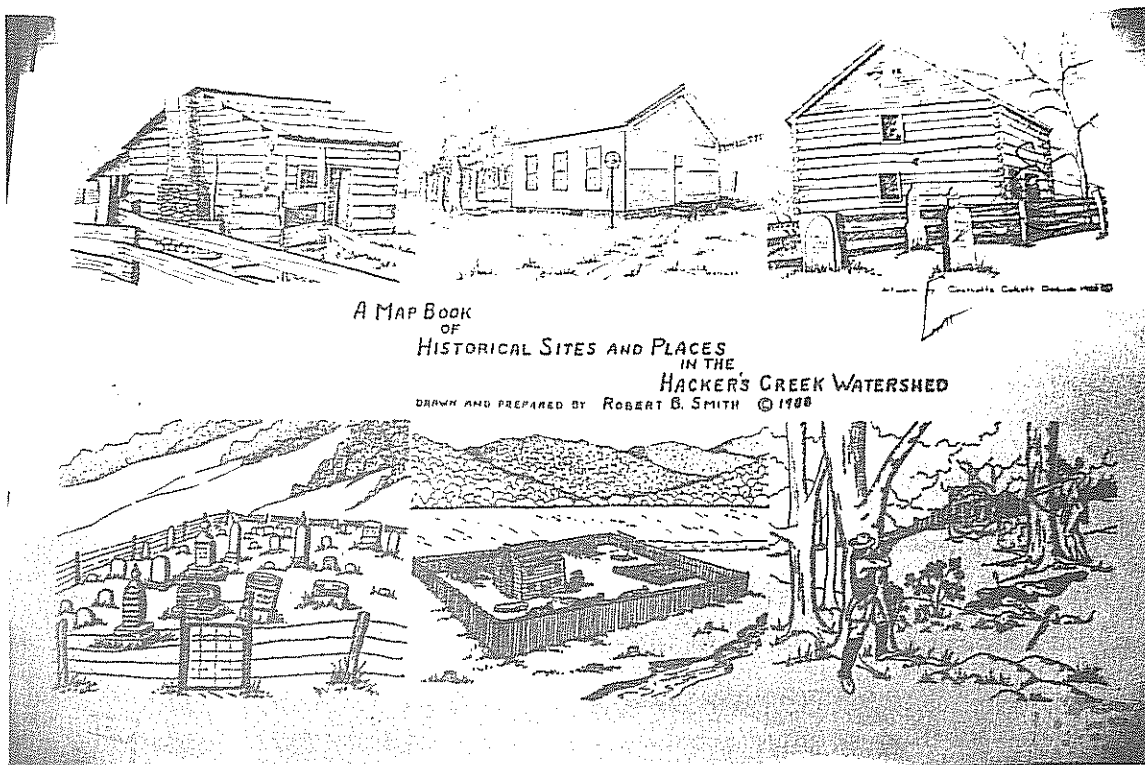
Commemorative signs are being erected at each farm. The USDA is honoring these farms and their owners as part of the 200th anniversary celebration of the U.S. Constitution.

The State's bicentennial farms include 7 in Pocahontas County; 6 in Pendleton; 5 in Jefferson; 3 each in Mineral, Monongalia and Preston; 2 each in Barbour and Monroe; and 1 each in Brooke, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Harrison, Marion, and Mason Counties.

The bicentennial farms, and how they came to be, are history lessons in themselves.

For example the Morgantown farm of Patricia S. Baker, evolved from a land grant in 1772, from King George III to William Norris. Mrs. Baker's late husband was John Norris Baker II.

(Excerpted from the The Market Bulletin, West Virginia Department of Agriculture, Vol. 73, No. 1, January 1, 1989.)



"MAP BOOK" see page 22

MAP BOOK FOR SALE

The maps in this book were drawn by Robert B. Smith and illustrated by Charlotte Gerlach. It consists of six maps showing the locations of the following historical sites.

MAP #1 - Log Cabins and Old House locations

Map #2 - Old School Locations

Map #3 - Old Church Locations

Map #4 - Cemeteries in the Hacker's Creek Watershed

Map #5 - Forts and Indian Camp Locations

Map #6 - Indian Massacre Locations

These maps were produced to help H.C.P.D. members find the locations of these Historical Sites and were sold at the 1988 Gathering at Jackson's Mill. The maps are printed in two sizes, 8½ x 11 [price \$4 postpaid] and 11 x 17 [price \$6.50 postpaid]. They can be purchased by check made out to Hacker's Creek Pioneer Descendents, P.O.Box 37, Jane Lew, W.V.26378.

Bill Adler, writer of "Yesteryears", in the Weston Democrat Sept.28, 1988 had this noted in his column.

Adler Note: In a recent column, I said I had not come across any reference to the first Superintendent of the Asylem that gave anything other than his given name initial; Dr. R. Hills. Lawrence Chapman, who recently published a most valuable and comprehensive several-volume history of the Hospital, tells me that Dr. Hills first name was Ralph. And let me call attention to an extremely fine addition to Lewis County's history. Robert B. Smith, past President of the Hacker's Creek Pioneer Descendents Association, has published a several page "Map Book of Historical Sites and Places in the Hacker's Creek Watershed". This is, I think, the result of the grandest piece of research into early Lewis County History that has been done by anyone for the past 50 or more years. These "Map Books". which locate the early log cabins and houses, the schools, churches, cemeteries, forts, Indian camps and massacre sites are for sale from Mr. Smith at P.O.Box 139, Lost Creek, W.V. 26385, phone 745-4260. They are available in two sizes: 8½ x 11 and 11 x 17. Every lover of Lewis County History should have one.

CHARLES B. SMITH CIVIL WAR LETTER  
Submitted by Sandra Cowell

I came across this letter in my mother's things. I was looking for more genealogical evidence. It is a letter to Caroline Virginia Williams Smith from her brother, Charles B. Williams. He was a Union soldier on duty in Memphis in 1863 with the army there. He is chiding her for her Confederate sympathies.

Camp at Memphis Tenn.  
Sept 6th 1863

Dear Sister

I received your letter in due time and was very glad to hear from you and especially to hear that you were all and doing well -

I have nothing new or interesting to write for while soldiers are laying in camp and not on the move there is nothing new or interesting transpiring, But is always the same old monotony. It is get up in the morning answer to roll call then breakfast then drill - after this we have a few leisure hours to lounge around or

ment, you are not to be surprised to find that the  
 would not have been of any use to the  
 got a paper and read it the other  
 to be it all together we have  
 a very good time — And then  
 any other thing is we know we  
 are doing our duty to our  
 government hard or easy, for  
 soldiers has it hard enough  
 some times — but I am  
 willing to endure all the hard-  
 ships of war for an indefinite  
 length of time in order to  
 put down this wretched rebel-  
 ion — Carrie I was so  
sorrow indeed to hear you  
 say that you was for the  
 South and you did not know  
 who knew it — did I under-  
 stand you right or was I  
 mistaken in its meaning —  
 you for the South — for Jeff  
 that not your definition of it — I  
 have written to them about it  
 Davis V.C., the Confederacy  
 for those that are trying to  
 destroy the best government  
 that was ever formed —  
 And opposed to what — to  
 the government under which  
 we have lived and prospered  
 and enjoyed peace and happi-  
 ness — And opposed to your  
 two brothers who are taken  
 from their families to  
 support a government that  
 you are giving your  
 influence to destroy  
 What brought on your well  
 say (from the way you talk)  
 that Lincoln did — but I  
 suppose you men Georg are  
 so ignorant as to make  
 this assertion — for have

— I should  
let live so close —  
after will do all of my so you  
let them and know that the  
that the Southern people  
been plotting the overthrow  
of the government for thirty  
years — in order to form  
an aristocracy and make  
us poor people their subjects  
don't never say you are  
for the South again — when  
you see the sorrows they  
have brought upon us  
I think you have too much  
sense to say the North is to  
blame when you look over  
the history of this rebellion  
The war was forced upon us  
and now don't force yourself  
against us — be patriotic and  
don't be placed among the low  
degraded rebels when this war  
is over your brother L. B. Wilkins

BOOTH BOND DIARY

BOOTH BOND (born 1834) kept a daily diary for the years 1853 thru 1856 in a ledger book now owned by his Grand-daughter Mrs. Kenneth (Mary) Hulin in Florida. His daily entries consistently remark about the weather and his personal labors at age 19 on his father's farm and each Sunday he recorded some impressions from the days religious services. He also filled several pages with poems and song ballads.

We excerpt here only entries which reveal persons names, locations of interest to us today, or occurrences relating to the daily lives of our 1850's ancestors.

"This Book is to show the principle business transacted in each day for the year 1853. By B. Bond, Upshur County, Hackers Creek, Virginia."

"This book is designed to show the principle business of each day by B. Bond of Upshur County, Virginia, Hackers Creek, the nights that persons are here, the different persons and the nights that I am away from home and the work that I do each day and the time that we sow and gather our crops, &c &c and the time that I am idle, &c &c."

January 1, 1853 - it is sabbath today went to meeting at night and heard Mr. Eliga Cosadz preach from the first Chapter of Nahum and of the verse The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of troubles and he knoweth them that trust in him.

Jan. 2 - Today worked in the clearing.

Jan. 3 - Fore noon went to Mr. Straiders mill worked a part of the afternoon in the clearing.

Jan. 4 - This day worked in the clearing and Father waid his oxen and they waid 28 hundred yoke and all.

Jan. 5 - went to Mr. Cookmans this morning the balance of the day worked in the clearing.

Jan. 6 - worked in the clearing. NB the fore mentioned days have been generally moisture free.

Jan. 7 - was fair today it is the Sabbath today. This evening went to Mr. Flints to take his book home.

Comeing home stoped at William Hurstmans. Mr. Peters was here tonite. K. Kniseley, Layfaette, Elizabeth and Sephen L. Smith was here the first night in this year. Harrison Jamison was here the fifth night in this year.

\*Every day in January he worked in the clearing if weather permitted. Only the persons mentioned for the balance of January are listed here.

-Uncle John Bond visited, Mr. Bonnet preached, went to Mr. Jacob Hesses, went to Mr. Gilmore Simses.

-took a grist to Mr. Beslees Mill for Susan Sims.

-went to get ax handle timber and stopped awhile at Harrison Jamisons School.



-Sabbath - went to Mr. Flints to meeting, Mr. Cosadz preached, Harrison Jamison Abraham Wolf and Sarah Traylor was here.  
-commenced breaking the sorrel colt.  
-went to Jacob Posts to get our coats.  
-at night went to Spelling School at H. Jamisons.  
-Sabbath - went to meeting up at the forks of the Creek Mr. Stevens preached.  
-went to Mr. Andrew Wolfs with Milton S. Davis and Moses H. Davis to buy a cow.  
-Father and I went to Susan Simses and drewed three loads of coal and a load of corn for the oxen.  
-Sabbath - went and saw Mrs. Knight buried on their farm.  
Jan. 30 & 31- weather pleasant and fair I was breaking flax.

February 1853 - Broke flax went to Mr. Bossmans and doctored our little ox.  
-fixing up the garden fence.  
-went to Mr. Straders Mill in forenoon, half soled my shoes this afternoon.  
-Skinned our little ox this morning.  
-went to Mr. Coiners writeing school and stayed at Mr. Thomas Hindsmans the night.  
-I was at Abraham Wolfs raiseing today.  
-I was at George Kniseleys raising with Milton S. Davis and Harrison Bartlet.  
-this morning wrote a song balad.  
-Father sold 8 head of his yearling cattle for \$13.25 per head.  
-Alfred Bond and Jesse Arnold is here to night.  
Feb. 24 - was cold went to Susans in the forenoon. In the afternoon went to Harrisons School traded coats with Abraham Rinehart and he was to give me \$1 & 1 cts.  
-went to Mr. James A. Rosses and got a pair of pants cut out.  
-went to P. Mc Cullys and S. Horners and F. Beslees to see if I could find out whether Gilmore Sims was dead or not.  
Went to Susans, Mr. Queen came there for the first since he was taken sick.  
-I made Shugar trofts today (sugar trough), to night went to Mr. Timothy Maxines to set up with Mrs. Maxines. Comeing home we stoped at Mr. Coiners store, Abraham Wolf, Stephen L. Smith, &c before day light.

March 1, 1853 - a little Frenchman is here tonight with his music box.

-cut wood to boil shugar water.

Mar. 3 - was fair. Milton S. Davis, Moses H. Davis, Eli Bond, James Young, Mr. ??? and I went to Thomas Fords and in Dodridge, Va. Milton S. Davis and Mary Ford was joined in bonds of matrimony about 2 oclock this evening by old Peter Davis.

Mar. 4 - we came back to Uncle Jesse Davises, stoped in Salem and Milford. We landed about 3 oclock set up all night. Snowed some today.

-went to Mr. Flints and to Jacob Oldakers this evening.  
-taped Shugar trees went to Amos Reders this evening  
to prayer meeting. Uncle John Bond and Abraham Wolf is  
here to night.  
-worked at Shugar camp. Layfaette Kniseley is here to night.  
-sat up at Amos Reders to night.  
-drawed manewer out over the garden. I sat out apple  
trees a few of them.  
-salted our straw / went to Mr. David Curtises.  
-went to Mr. William Hushmans this evening, went to George  
Kniseleys and Jacob Hesses and Janis Smiths and Amos Reders.  
-went to Mr. Boffmans mill raising, boiled Shugar water  
to night until after one oclock.  
-went to Mrs. Switzers to meeting heard Mr. Parker preach.  
\*He went to Susans several times in March.  
-went to Mr. James A. Rosses to a grubing frolic.  
Mar. 27 - Easter today, was cloudy and snowed some  
worked in the clearing &c.  
-Mr. Davisson from near Romains Mills is here tonight.  
-planted some potatoes - Armsted Queen and Harrison  
Jamison is here to night.  
Mar. 31 - Mr. Queen and Miss Juliaen Sims was joined in  
bonds of matrimony about half past seven this morning by  
Samuel D. Davis. I went to the infair (afair?) at old  
John Queens. Sarahan Davis is at out house to night.

April 1853 - went to Susans half soled one of my shoes  
worked some in the garden and hen house, cleaned out the  
stable.

Apr. 8 - was fair went to muster and stoped at John  
Marpoles (Marple) at trial.  
-went to meeting Mr. Mc Whirty breeched.  
-went to Mr. David B. Regers rolling. There was too  
peddlers here to night all night.  
-Jamima Kneela and Anna Smith is here to night.  
-this morning malled rails went to Jesses Run to meeting  
and heard a Irishman preach. Stayed the night at Mr.  
Jonas Smiths.  
-went to Mr. Henry L. Curtis grubbing frolic.  
-Thrashed our flax to night went to John Heavenners.  
Old Elizabeth Talar is here to night.

May 1853 - Burned some logs - went to Mr. Flints to  
Singing School.

-Sheared our sheep - sold our big oxen.  
-went to Mr. David Wolfs rolling.  
-went to Mr. Abraham Wolfs rolling.  
-went to John Beslees log rolling.  
-Grandfather Bond is here to night (Levi Bond).  
May 16 - We commenced planting corn today.  
-went to Mr. A. Rosses rolling.  
-went to wedding at Mr. Beslees home, saw Mr. Norman get  
married to Miss Susan Beslee by Rev. George Marsh.  
-went to Buckhannon to muster.  
-Emily Willson and her 4 children is here to night.  
-set some traps today.

May 30 - It was fair - went to Mr. Hires mill and to Mr. Jackson's Mill and to Buckhannon town, &c, &c.

June 1853 - Susan Sims is here to night (could this be the Susan he visits every few days?).

-This afternoon ploughed my tobacco patch.

-Father brought home ten 2 year old cattle today.

-I stayed at Mr. Thomas Wolfs to night - set up with him apart of the night. (Per stone in Wolf Cemetery - Thomas Wolf died June 12, 1853 in his 68th. year).

June 8 - was fair - we commenced hoeing our corn today.

-Father & Mother went yesterday to Lost Creek. Hannah Beslee is here to night.

June 12 - Set up all night with the corpse of Thomas Wolf at Abraham Wolfs.

-went to Mr. Queens, cut some elders &c. killed some squirrels.

-Margot Jane Kniseley and her child is here to night.

-went a fishing this afternoon with a sain.

-I went to Mr. Rineharts Abraham and to Mr. Hefners this evening.

-set out my tobacco plants - went to Mr. Henry L. Curtises-Vinson Kniseley is here to night.

-Hived a swarm of bees - Put a foot log across Rovers Run.

-Father went to the carding machine today.

-Alfred Bond and his wife and too children names Edgar and Emily Ann - and Jesse Arnold is here to night.

-worked the roads today.

-Sabbath - James ? and I went to Susans this afternoon.

-went to Mr. Boffmans to make a cradle and worked for Mr. Hurstmans this afternoon.

June 29 - was fair - ploughed and hoed corn until breakfast then commenced cutting our wheat. wrote a letter for Fredric Hefner to night.

July 1853 - This evening we had 97 dosands (dozen) of wheat up in shock. We brought our cupboard home from George Kniseleys.

-John Hefner worked for us to day. Armsted Queen and Julian Queen, Susan Sims and Sarah Tralor is here to night.

-Father and Levi went to grandfathers today.

July 10 - James and I went to meeting at Mr. Wolfs and heared the funeral of Thomas Wolf preached by Mr. Lias Benett. (Thomas died June 12, must have had to wait for a minister to come thru for the services.)

-went to William Jacksons mill.

-Uncle Jacob Bond analizy (maybe Aunt Lizy) Wilson and Ruey Jane Hustman is here to night.

-Afternoon I Skutched flax. finished hoeing out my tobacco patch.

-Cradled about one acre of Oats for Mr. Boffman.

-John Hefner helped us in the hay today.

July 30 - was somewhat cloudy it is Sabbath today.  
to night went to Buckhannon town for Doctor Spillen  
(Spitler) for Susan Sims . Susan died about eight  
oclock this evening.

July 31 - was mostly fair went to Mr. Queens today &c.  
and was there until they started with the corpse.

August 1853 - Fredoric Hefner worked for us today and John  
part of the day.

-Helped Mr. Tralor thrash and set the machine at Mr. Flints.  
-went to John Hefners to set up with the sick stayed  
all night.

Aug. 18 - Mary JOT died this evening about sun set. set up  
there to night.

Aug. 19 - went to Lemuel Swishers to get him to go to  
lost creek to get Mary Jots grave dug.

Aug. 21 - went to Mr. Queens to hear the funeral of  
Susan Sims preached by S. D. Davis, (she died July 30).

Mr. Queen must have been the undertaker.

James Miller is here to night.

\*every spare time for weeks was spent cuting briars & elders.

Aug. 28 - was fair we went a sanging &c. went to Mr.  
Jonas Smiths to a apple cutting.

Sept. 1853 - Tumerk (??Faimer) and I went to Rooting Creek  
to Mr. Little to Singing School.

-commenced thrashing our wheat. Mr. Rinehart Swisher,  
Abraham Wolf and Mary Nornic (Horner) is here to night.

-finished thrashing had 66 bushels wheat

-at George Knisleys thrashed 55 bushels of wheat and  
136 bushels of oats. Then went to bean stringing.

-went to the store at John Marpiles &c.

-I pruned my tobacco today and cut a board tree.

Sept. 13 - Thrashed at David Wolfs. To night set up with  
the corpse of Nancy JOT at John Hefners.

-This evening S. L. Smith, A. M. Wolf and myself went to  
R. Coiners store.

-John Hefner helped us saw some board timber and make boards.

-Aunt Sarah Davis and Sarahan Davis is here to night.

-cut some crib logs and hung some tobacco.

-3 days work on crib. went to meeting at Mr. John  
Maxines and heard Mr. E. Morrison preach.

-commenced shucking our corn today.

-Mr. Mathice is here to night making up a marking school.

Oct. 1853 - Finished cuting corn, husked some corn, worked  
in my tobacco. There has been 2 or 3 frosts. Went to  
apple cutting at Mr. D. T. Wolfs, stayed the night at  
Mr. A. M. Wolfs.

-Mr. Mathis is here to night (previously he spelled it  
Mathice).

-went to corn husking at Wm. Hurstmans.

-cut and sat up fodder today. Finished husking our corn  
had about 100 and 35 bushels of ears.

-Today cut and set some fodder, John Hefner, Levi and I plowed and commenced sowing wheat.  
-went to Turkey Run School house to meeting and heard Mr. William Willson preach.  
-there was frost every night from Oct. 8th. to Oct. 18th.  
-Grandfather Bond is here to night. (Levi Bond).  
-Rubed out some Timothy and and sowed the straw.  
-Helped G. F. Sims start a drove of sheep in the afternoon.  
-Famer and I went to a wedding at Mr. S. Horners and saw Mr. A. K. Straley and Miss Luizy Horner joined in matrimony about 2 oclock in the morning. Famer went to Mr. John Beslees and stayed all night.  
-went to Mr. Isaac Swisher mill today and we killed a hog.  
Oct. 26 - Ezekiel and Hazakiah Stouts is here to night.  
Oct. 27 - was somewhat rainy the boys left this afternoon.  
-I went to Mr. Hires mill. Father finished his shoes today.

Nov. 1853 - Chunked and dobed our kitchen &c.  
-we spread our flax and I planted some peach seeds.  
Moses and Tolitha Arsulia Williams is here to night.  
-went to Harmony to meeting and heard Mr. Peter T. Lashly preach (Nov. 5 & Nov. 6).  
-Put up our fatning hogs, finished thrashing our timothy.  
to night went to upper forks of Hackers Creek to meeting and heard Mr. Lias Bennett preach.  
-worked better than half a day for John Hefner in his clearing.  
-meeting at school house at upper forks of Hackers Creek and heard Mr. Reed preach. Newton hess is here tonight.  
-was somewhat cloudy I went to Mr. Beslees mill mended Levis shoes grubed some &c. Father finished me a pair of shoes.  
-drawed rock with our little oxen. Jasper Bond is here.  
-went to a grubing frolic at John Hefners.  
Nov. 18 - was fair went to Claysville to Harrison Bartlets in fair there was fourteen in company as we went down. (can't be sure of some of his words, context is not clear).  
-went to ---- lick run school house to meeting and heard Mr. Closen preach.  
-I helped mother pick her geese.  
-went to Laurel Lick run to meeting and heard Mr. Warner.  
-worked at Marpole School house today. Tonight went to Mount Lebanon in buckhannon to meeting and heard Mr. Wm. Willson preach. Father finished Famers shoes today.  
Nov. 27 - The 25th. day of this month A. F. Wolf and D. T. Wolf, G. W. Knisley and Thomas Starcher started for the west. Mary Horner is here to night.  
-worked some at my tobacco. Helped Fredric Hefner kill a hog for Wm. Hurstman. To night went to Mr. David Curtises to prayer meeting. Andrew T. Wolf and Harrison Jamison is here to night.  
- Mr. John A. Peters preached at Mr. Flints prayer meeting. A. M. Wolf and Casanna Davison is here to night.  
-Urvan Jot is here to night. (Ervin?). Father brought home a barrel of salt from Mr. Alkires today.

-killed our hogs today with Frederic Hefners help.

Dec. 1853 - Mr. James M. Copelin and Mr. Holdridge Kniseley is here to night.

-Father butchered at David T. Wolfs today, later at George Knisleys. Hannah Beelsey is here to night.

Dec. 24 - William Jamison and John Queen is here to night.

Dec. 25 - mostly fair and thawed some in the south, grubed some - ground my ax &c. was very windy to night in the after part of the night. It is christmas today. went to the upper forks of Hackers Creek to prayer meeting to night. Mr. Flint and Mr. J. A. Peters conducted it. A. M. Wolfe is here tonight. (Christmas day seems to have been just another working day of their lives).

-I took the gun and went hunting in the afternoon.

-I went to Mr. Thomas BOVUNRS ?? Mr. John Peters and Mr. James Reeds and Henry L. Curtises to day. F. Hefner and Burgot Jot is here to night.

The other years will be excerpted as time permits.

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NOTE: In the diary, on 8 Apr 1853, Booth says he "stopped at John Marpoles (Marple) at 'trial'". The explanation for this can be found the Hardesty's HISTORY OF UPSHUR COUNTY, p. 118. The first Justices of the Peace were appointed for the new county of Upshur and John W. Marple was from the district of Upper Hacker's Creek.

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INFORMATION FOR HARDMAN FAMILY RESEARCHERS  
Submitted by Marjorie Heater Herring

Lemuel Crislip married Josephine Hardman in Roane Co, WV 11 Oct 1884 according to information which has been given to me. This was the second marriage for Lemuel. However, the 1880 Roane Co. census show Josephine with family of Lemuel and gives her age as 21 and his as 55. It also shows a child Charles, age 1. Lemuel's first wife died 15 Dec 1879 and I am assuming she died following the birth of Charles. Her maiden name was Selina Peck, a.k.a. Salina and Sabena. The family lived in Reedyville, WV. I must emphasize that this information was given to me; I have not actually seen the marriage records or the census record. However, the disparity in the 1880 census and the marriage date stands out.

.NAMES LISTED IN THE BOOTH BOND DIARY. I have used the Mr. where it appears. Possibly Booth used this respectful term as an indication of an older person in his mind. Those persons not prefixed by Mr. may have been persons his age and younger.

Mr. Alkire	Mr. Davisson, from
Jesse Arnold	Romains Mills
Brumfield Bond	Casanna Davison
(Booth's Father)	Mr. Flint
Belinda Bond	Mary Ford
(Booth's Mother)	Thomas Ford
Levi Bond	John Heavenner
(Booth's Grandfather)	Mr. Hefner
Levi Bond	Fredric (Fredoric) Hefner
(Booth's Brother)	John Hefner
Famer (Faimer) Bond	Mr. Jacob Hess
(Booth's Sister?)	Newton Hess
Alfred Bond --	Mr. Thomas Hindsman
Edgar Bond, son	Mr. Hires, mill
Emily Ann Bond, dau.	Miss Luizy Horner
Eli Bond	Mary Horner
Jacob Bond	Mary Hornic (Horner)
(Booth's Uncle)	S. Horner
Jasper Bond	Rueyjane Hurstman
John Bond	Mr. William Hurstman
(Booth's Uncle)	Mr. William Hushman
Harrison Bartlet	Mr. William Jackson, mill
Mr. Lias Benett, minister	Harrison Jamison
Mr. Beslee's mill	Burgot Jot
F. Beslee	Mary Jot, corpse
Hannah Beslee	Nancy Jot, corpse
John Beslee	Urvan (Ervin) Jot
Miss Susan Beslee	Jemima Kneela
Mr. Bonnet	Mrs. Knight, corpse
Mr. Bossman (Boffman)	G. W. Kniseley
Mr. Thomas Bovunrs ??	George Kniseley
Mr. Closen, preached	Mr. Holdridge Kniseley
Mr. R. Coiner, Store	Mr. K. Kniseley
Mr. Cookman	Layfaette Kniseley
Mr. James M. Copelin	Margotjane Kniseley
Mr. Eliga Cosadz	Vinson Kniseley
David Curtis	Mr. Peter T. Lashly, preached
Henry L. Curtis	Mr. Layfaette
Jesse Davis	Mr. Little
(Booth's Uncle)	P. Mc Cully
Milton S. Davis	John Marpole (Marple)
Mosses H. Davis	Rev. George Marsh, minister
Peter Davis, old minister	Mr. Mathice
S. D. Davis, minister	Mr. Mathis
Samuel D. Davis, minister	
Sarah Davis	
(Booth's Aunt)	
Sarahan Davis	

Mr. John Maxine	Doctor Spillen / Spitler
Mr. Timothy Maxine	Buckhannon
James Miller	Thomas Starcher
Mr. E. Morrison, preached	Mr. Stevens
Mr. Norman	Ezekiel Stout
Jacob Oldaker	Hazakiah Stout
Mr. Parker, preached	Mr. Straiders (Strader), mill
Mr. Peters	Mr. A. K. Straley
Mr. J. A. Peters	Mr. Isaac Swisher
Mr. John Peters	Lemuel Swisher
Mr. John A. Peters, preached	Mr. Rinehart Swisher
Jacob Post	Mrs. Switzer
Armsted Queen	Elizabeth Talor, old
John Queen, old	Mr. Tralon (Tralor)
Mr. John Queen	James Young
Amos Reder	Mr. Werner, preached
Mr. Reed, preached	Moses Williams
Mr. James Reed	Tolitha Arsulia Williams
Mr. David B. Geger	Emily Willson
Abraham Rinehart	Mr. William Willson, preached
Mr. A. Ross	Analizy Wilson, may be
Mr. James A. Ross	Aunt Lizy
G. F. Sims	Mr. Mc Whirty, preached
Mr. Gilmore Sims	A. F. Wolf
Miss Juliaan Sims, wife of	Mr. A. M. Wolf
Armsted Queen	Mr. Abreham Wolf
Susan Sims	Mr. Andrew Wolf
Anna Smith	Andrew T. Wolf
Elizabeth Smith	Mr. D. T. Wolf
Jonas (Janis) Smith	Mr. David Wolf
S. L. Smith	David T. Wolf
Stephen L. Smith	Mr. Thomas Wolf, died
	June 12, 1853 68 yrs. old.
	buried in Wolf Cemetery.

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Source references:

Lewis County Marriage Records - 1-35, 1-47

Lewis County Death Records - 1-19, 1-205, 2-152, 1-79

Lewis County Deed Books - C-243,

Lewis County Wills - C-293, 1-238

Lewis County Census - 1830, 1840, 1850, 1880

The county records are so pitifully incomplete it takes the accumulated data from all of them to match enough information to reach a possible solution to this family line.



M A D I S O N     A L L M A N     who was he?????

Research by Edward Lee Allman     July 9, 1988

1. William (1) Allman and wife Elizabeth Martin-first Allman settlers at Fink's Run, near Buckhannon. Jackson Fort was located on his property, just a few hundred feet from the present home.
2. William (1)'s Will, Lewis Will Book 1, pge. 238, May 27, 1827 does NOT list Madison as a son, but DOES list Nicholas as a son.
3. Nicholas is shown on Lewis Marriage records LMR-1-35 as marrying Peggy Roder/Rader May 24, 1825 by Rev. Jacob Cogar.
4. Madison (born Jan. 12, 1810) is shown on Lewis Marriage records LMR-1-47 as marrying Elizabeth Bonnett Dec. 11, 1828 by Rev. John Mitchell.

This disallows the possibility of Nicholas and Madison being the same person; Madison can not be a son of William (1) as previously reported.

5. Peter (1789) Allman was a son of William (1) and Elizabeth Martin as verified in the 1827 Will. Peter's wife was Catherine Sims and in the above mentioned Will, Catherine is given the 107 acre farm on Stoney Run, Hacker's Creek since son Peter is deceased (Oct. 13, 1825). The Will also lists Peter's children as David S., May 1825; William, 1821; Susannah L., 1816; Elizabeth,     ; Eliza,     ; and Sarah,     .

NOTE: Madison is NOT listed as a child of Peter.

6. Madison (born Jan. 12, 1810) is shown in Lewis County Census for 1830, 1840, 1850 and Lewis Census 1880 as Madison Alman 70 yrs. old. Madison is shown in Lewis Death records twice; once LDR-2-152 by the doctor as dying Nov. 27, 1894; once LDR-1-205 by grandson E. P. Allman (what is his full name) says he died Nov. 14, 1894 and also states Madison's parents were Peter (1789) Allman and Catherine Sims.
7. Since Peter (1789) and Catherine Sims were married by Rev. John Mitchell on Dec. 20, 1813 then the birth and death records for Madison are off by three years or their marriage record is wrong.
8. If we accept Peter (1789) Allman and Catherine Sims as the parents of Madison, then we must move all descendants one generation forward --  
William (1) ca. 1750/ Peter (1789)/ Madison (1810)/ Isaac Newton (1834)/ Fernando Wood (1858)/ John Isaac (1890)/ Maurice (1922).

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## W I L L I A M      A L L M A N      W I L L

May 27, 1827

Lewis County, Va. (W.Va.)      WILL BOOK 1, page 238.

1. Lists wife -- Elizabeth (Martin)
2. Listed children -- sons -
  - George      dob 1801
  - Abraham    dob 1805
  - John        dob 1791
  - Peter       dob 1789 (93)
  - Jacob       dob 1794 (99)
  - Issac       dob 1800
  - Nicholas dob              This name not previously found in  
                                 census or county records.
  - Madison    dob 1810      This name in Lewis Census 1880 as  
                                 70 years old. He married Elizabeth  
                                 Bonnett in 1828 and both are buried  
                                 in Harmony Cemetery.  
                                 Madison is NOT listed in this Will.
3. Son, George, gets the lower end on Finks Run or eastern half of the plantation (original settlement of 1783 ?) and site of Jackson Fort, about 100 acres containing the dwelling house, 2 large meadows, orchard, etc.
4. Son, Abraham, gets the remaining approx. 100 acres. This is the up stream portion or western half which borders on Bridge Run & Finks Run.
5. Wife, Elizabeth, is to be provided a home by son George for her lifetime.
6. Interesting division of livestock and future use of produce from the orchard and meadows.
7. All other children have previously received a full portion of the Estate so shall not participate in any further distribution.
8. His name was signed by the witnesses because he is BLIND.
9. Witnesses were Jacob Lorentz, James Barnes, Cornulius Clark.

If you were around the last time short skirts were popular, you shouldn't be wearing them this time. Do you remember when that was Raydine?

The Last Will and Testament  
of William Allman

I William Allman of the County of Lewis and State of Virginia do hereby make my Last Will and Testament in manner following. —

First it is my will and desire that all my just debts (if any) and funeral expenses be paid & discharged. And further it is my <sup>own</sup> will, and I do give devise & bequeath the plantation & tract of

Land whereon I now live and reside unto two of my sons Bert, George & Abraham, tract

the lower end of said tract which is to contain one hundred acres including the two large meadows dwelling house, Orchard &c with the

Appurtenances I give and devise to my son George his heirs and assigns forever, subject

as hereafter stated — And the residue of said tract I give & devise to my said son Abraham

(The residue supposed to contain 100 acres more or less) his heirs and assigns forever, subject as here

in after stated, I further give and bequeath to my said son Abraham one cow, and the brifer & calf he now claims, my Bone Horse also

The young Stud Horse, provided he will

keep him for a coming horse, and in case he should decline keeping said horse for the

purpose aforesaid, in such case, I give and bequeath said horse to my son George, and my

son George is to let him (Abraham) have another

horse in exchange — I also give and bequeath to my son Abraham six head sheep one sow

and pigs, and the Bed & clothing which he now occupies, 1 Plough & the gear for two horses. —

It is my will and desire that my son

Abraham shall <sup>HAVE</sup> the use of the fruit of the Orchard divided to George in common with

my son George for 6 years after my demise

my son Abraham, shall also have the privilege of making three good stacks of hay annually for 5 years after my death in Ginger Meadow. I give and devise to my son George the Smith Tools of every description, for which he is to pay 25 Dollars. I give and bequeath to my Daughter, Elizabeth the wife of John Westhall, the sum of two hundred Dollars - One hundred Dollars part thereof to be paid one year after my death, and the balance one year after the 1st payment - These sums to be paid out of my personal Estate, including the 25\$ payable by my son George for the Smith Tools. - It is also my will and desire, that neither of my sons George & Abraham, shall have privilege to sell or dispose of the land herein devised to them during the natural life of my wife as the same is subject to her maintenance as will appear herein after -

It is my will and desire that any grain such as wheat, rye, corn & oats, Stocking or growing on the lands devised to my son George and Abraham, at the time of my death, shall be divided between them -

It is my will and desire that my wife - Elizabeth shall have the privilege to live reside & occupy the dwelling house on George's part, during her natural life, and that my sons George and Abraham, shall out of the lands devised, to them, give and provide for my said wife a decent & comfortable maintenance during the term aforesaid, - And further I give & bequeath unto my wife all the balance or residue of my personal Estate (after paying my just debts if any) And paying off and discharging the several legacies herein before named - to her and for her own use & dispose of in such manner as she may think proper

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Thomas I have hitherto given to my other children a full portion of my Estate, to wit my son John, Peter, Jacob, Isaac & Nicolas & my Daughters, Catherine & Mary. It is thus for my Will and I do hereby expressly declare that they or either or either of them or their heirs or representatives, shall not inherit any part of my Estate of what kind or nature wherever I am now, or may be possessed off or intitled to, at the time of my death -

And lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my son George Executor of this my last will & Testament, and to carry the same into effect -

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 27 of May 1827  
Signed & acknowledged by the Testator as his last will & Testament, at whose request we subscribed our names as witnesses, and at his request his name was signed he being blind

William Allman

(Jacob Loxley  
James Barnes  
Cornelius Black)

Lewis County Court July Term 1827  
This last will and Testament of William Allman died was presented in open Court and duly proved by the oath of the subscribing witnesses thence according to Law, and admitted to record

Juste

D. Springer

C. L. C.

OTHER  
CHILDREN

## ATTIC TREASURES

When Cousin Opal died recently I went with one of her cousins to pack her personal effects before the auction sale. We found a fifteen room house chock full of fascinating things such as ladies undies made of heavy muslin that tied around the waist and hand-woven coverlets. I managed (with Bud Allman's expert bidding) to get one of the covers that was woven by my great-grandmother.

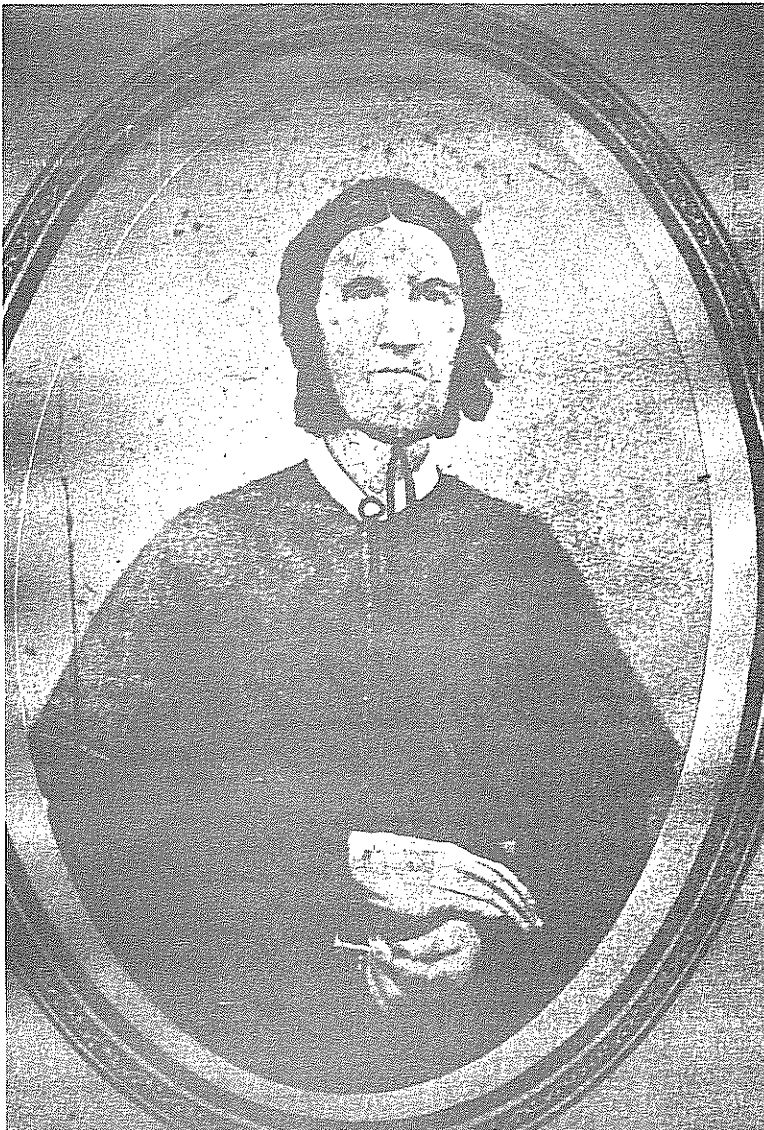
Well, everything in that house was organized and identified except the pictures! I rescued boxes of them, much to Joe's distress at the prospect of more clutter in the basement. I could identify a few- my mother at age 16 sitting in a buggy drawn by a gorgeous white horse, with a proud swain by her side. How sad that no one knows the old, old ones.

This picture is one of the few that were identified.

Bill Hayes, chairman of the Pictorial History committee, is waiting patiently for enough pictures to start organizing material. We have had some wonderful responses, especially from people like Raymond Wolfe who sent a fantastic collection. Please find the treasures in your attic and send them to us.

*Ray*

Ray Teicheira



Abigail Clemens West

She was an own cousin  
to Mark Twain, their  
fathers being brothers.

She was born 8/7/1814  
Md. John West 1/7/33  
Died 8/28/88

Mother of Amanda West  
who md. John Taylor  
7/10/48  
Bn. 7/30/29 D. 8/1919

(note: Disc. in dates?)

## PAPAW

by Vikki Beth Mitchell

Marion Basil Mitchell was the grandfather of my husband, James Albert Mitchell Jr.. He was more warmly known as "Papaw" or "Fat Papaw" to the great grandchildren. The "Fat" was put there due to his "trim" fifty inch waist. Papaw introduced me to fried green tomatoes, fried squashes, and potato cakes. He bought me watermelon when I was pregnant with his first Mitchell great grandchild and worried that I was consuming too much soda pop. He said, "it's not good for that baby."

Papaw was the kind of man who could look at you with a straight face, tell the biggest tale you ever heard and would have you believing it. Then he'd laugh. I haven't to this day figured if he was laughing about the story he just told or the gullibility of the person listening.

M.B. (as he was sometimes called) was born the youngest of three children on Sunday, October 23, 1904 at 6:30 in the morning. His parents were Marion Richard and Mary Alice Mitchell of Roanoke, West Virginia. Papaw stood at 5' 9", had large hands, short legs and his feet turned out when he walked. Don't know his weight. Never asked. However he claimed to weigh 25 pounds at birth.

During his lifetime, Papaw worked at several different jobs. He was a tool dresser on an oil rig, a mechanic at Hupp Brothers garage in Weston, helped build the first worlds largest coal shovel called "Little Egypt", and drove a truck for Atlantic Trucking (A&P stores) for 25 years. He also owned and ran three restaurants. They were "Mitchell's " in Roanoke, West Virginia, a truckstop in St. Albans, and a small diner in Chesapeake, Ohio.

During the late 1920's early 30's Pap kept a still. He had it hidden in a ravine, which was located in the woods, at the end of the meadow behind the hay barn. Folks around said M.B. made the best whiskey they ever drank. Once during a sale a customer asked, "How about making that next batch "aged in the wood"?". Now this is a process that requires charring the inside of an oak barrel and filling it with the homemade shine. Papaw, being the creative person he was, knew a little known shortcut. The next time a batch was made, he filled separate gallon jugs and added a small 6 ounce bottle of Coca-Cola to each. It gave the same results as "aging" and nobody knew the difference.

When World War II started, the Army was looking for truck drivers and mechanics. M.B. enlisted and was assigned to the 565th Quartermaster Corp. He served in Iran, Iraq and India (Persian Gulf) and was in the regiment that traveled on the Burma and Ledo Roads. He was also present at "Yalta" in Turkey.

During his tour of duty, Papaw was appointed Assistant to the Commanding Officer in charge of Billits (That is one who assigns a place for visiting officers to stay). Once a Russian One Star General came up to Pap and said he wanted to sleep in the Americans quarters. Papaw told him no and that he was to stay with his own men. The general became angry and spit in M.B.'s face. Pap retaliated by slapping the man in the mouth with a 45 caliber pistol. Naturally the general raised Cain over the incident and wanted to press charges. After Pap was questioned, no formal charges were brought up as Papaw's commanding officer agreed with his actions. However, he was told to lay low for a few days until the general left.

Papaw was married three times: divorced the first two and widowed the third. He had all three of his children by his first wife, Maude Beatrice Martin (born October 12, 1909 in Freemansburg, Lewis County, West Virginia). The first born was my father-in-law James Albert Mitchell (his middle name was supposed to have been Allen, but the doctor didn't hear right and the name was never changed). He was born in Roanoke, West Virginia on a rainy autumn night, October 16, 1926. Next was Mary Elizabeth Mitchell. She was born on November 7, 1927 in Roanoke, West Virginia. Last was Katherine Isabelle Mitchell. She was born March 2, 1929 in Weston, West Virginia.

Marion Basil Mitchell enjoyed many things during his life. He liked watching the Honeymooners and Big Time Wrestling on T.V., he liked to garden and even raised chickens on his farm in Roanoke, but his biggest love was fishing. This took place in Florida where he spent his winters, that is until his health made him move there permanently. Of course this meant more time for sailing and fishing. I don't know for sure what all he caught, but I do have pictures of the 7 foot shark he reeled in.

On March 10, 1984 my husbands grandfather died of cancer. We all miss him very much and wish we could have seen more of him. He did manage to come up to visit a time or two during his last few years. The last time Papaw was in my home, he noticed a Bible that was sitting on top of my T.V. He pointed to it and said, "I see what you've been reading. You keep what that book says and you won't go wrong."

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Reasons for Admission (cont. from page 43)

Bite of rattle snake	Remorse
Dog Bite	Milk fever
Opium habit	Crime
Novel Reading	Excessive sexual abuse
Egotism	Fighting Fire
Salvation Army	Bad Whiskey
Imaginary female trouble	Women trouble
Diphtheria	Over action of the mind
Over taxing mental powers	Explosion of shell nearby
Vicious Vices in Early Life	Marriage of son
Bloody flux	Medicine to prevent conception
Politics	Over study of religion
Women	Immoral Life
Doubt about his mother's ancestors	Time of Life
Nymphomania	Young lady and fear
Moral sanity	Cerebral Softening
	Greediness

(This information was obtained from the first log book used at this hospital, spelling etc. just as written).



## REASONS FOR ADMISSION

West Virginia Hospital for the Insane (Weston)

October 22, 1864 to December 12, 1889

Grief	Snuff
Constitutional	Feebleness of intellect
Asthma	Rumor of husband's murder or his desertion
Domestic trouble	Mental excitement
The War	Disappointment
Sun Stroke	Jealousy and Religion
Masturbation for 30 years	Seduction & Disappointment
Trouble	Severe labor
Dissipation of nerves	Disappointed Love
Fever and Nerved	Fits and desertion of husband
Interference	Suppressed masturbation
Intemperance	Hard study
Religious excitement	Dropsy
Amenorrhea	Effusion of the brain
Intemperance & Business trouble	False Confinement
Fever	Sexual abuse and stimulants
Jealousy	Excitement as Officer
Exposure in Army	Fall from horse
Self Abuse	Disappointed affection
Laziness	Cold
Veneral Excesses	Indigestion
Puerperal	Brain Fever
Shooting of daughter	Carbonic Acid Gas
Parents were cousins	Exposure and quackery
Exposure and hereditary	Spinal irritation
Uterine Derangement	Snuff eating for 2 years
Death of sons in the War	Periodical fits, tobacco & masturbation
Imprisonment	Hysteria
Political excitement	Female disease
Fever and loss of law suit	Gunshot wound
Gastritis	Liver and Social Disease
Desertion by husband	Seduction
Sexual Derangement	Kick of horse
Fell from horse in War	Softening of the brain
Exposure in Army	Menstrual deranged
Self Abuse	Business nerves
Religious Enthusiasm	Masturbation & syphilis
The War	Gathering in the head
Dissolute habits	Bad company
Loss of arm	Sunstroke
Ill treatment by husband	Carbuncle
Scarlatina	Over Heat
Small Pox	Bad habits & political excitement
Hereditary predisposition	Domestic affliction
Epileptic fits	Pecuniary losses
Suppression of menses	Worms
Decoyed into the Army	Congestion of brain
Kicked in the head by a horse	
Superstition	

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## R E V. S I M E O N B A B C O C K

(The following is copied from a note book of Charles Henry Greene who appears to have access to the original manuscript.)

Copy of a ms. written by Rev. Simeon Babcock  
Relative to the Squam Seventh  
Day Baptist Settlement  
in Monmouth County  
N.J. and the families  
thereto connected

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In compliance with the wishes of my youngest son, and all it may concern (I) shall endeavor to give some account of my ancestors and what has transpired in my lifetime within my recollection. And First: - My father's name was Thomas and (my) grandfather and great-grandfather's name (was) Oliver. My grandfather had two wives. Had by his first wife a son named Simeon and (a) daughter Mary. The first had no children but (had) a wife. Mary married a man by the name Simeon Maxson, had a large family; (the oldest) Nathan, and then Joseph, William, Thomas, Moshure, Simeon, James, George and John; - (with) two daughters, - Ruth and Sisanna.

My father's mother, his (father's) second wife, was Judith Davis (daughter of Wm. of Wales) by whom he had four children: - three besides himself. (The girls (were) named Experience, Elizabeth, and Amy. Experience married a man by the name of John Davison; of their family I have no knowledge. Elizabeth married a man by the name of Henry McLafferty, who became a minister in the Seventh-day Baptist connection; of their children I know but little. Amy died a maid.

My mother (Martha Davis) was the youngest daughter of William Davis, whose father, if (I) am correct, was John and grandfather was Elder William Davis from Wales; and her mother was Tacy Crandall, of her connection I have no information. Mother had five brothers: Nathan, first, then two named John and William, who died, then two others of the same name. John married Marvelous Maxson, daughter of Zebulon, had seven children, five girls and two sons: - Amy, Jane, Sarah, Ziporah, and Mary; - his sons (were) John and Lewis A., and (he) is (an) elder. His father was the pastor of the Salem church and of Lost Creek church. Mother's brother William married a woman by the name of Elizabeth Johnson; had four sons and eight daughters; Mary, Peter, Benjamin, David and George; Rachel, Elizabeth, Asenth, Deborah, Vienna, and Tacy and Sophia.

Peter became (a) preacher and elder. Mother's sisters' names were Elizabeth and Mary. Elizabeth married Ephraim Maxson, brother to Simeon, and Zebulon before mentioned, who was a deacon in the Salem Church. Their children's names were Amy, Sally, Prudence, Jesse, Pie and Charity. Mary's husband was Jacob Davis, Elder of the Squan church; their children were Jacob, Lydia, Mary, Samuel, Crandall, Elizabeth and Zebe.

Mother's oldest brother, Nathan's wife was Anna Gifford, his sons were William, Davis, Joshua, Joseph, Nathan, Stephen, Annanias, and John; their daughters, Hannah, Anna, and Mary.

My father's and mother's parents moved from Conn. to Monmouth county, Summerset township, N.J., sometime before the Revolutionary war, near the sea-coast, some six miles --could frequently hear roaring as of a mighty storm. In this vicinity was a Seventh Day Baptist Church called Squan.

Father was born Feb. 12th A.D. 1759, Mother (the) 15th (of) August A.D., 1760; have not the date of their marriage. (They) had nine children: Anna, Simeon, Oliver, William, Judeth, Thomas, Jacob, Joel, and John, - others that died when small.

In the fall of the year 1789, my parents with many others, seven waggon in company, emigrated to the west, then called Indian country, where the Red Skins were prowling through (the) forest, seeking to trap the White-man, to plunder (him) and take his scalp. The thought of this caused great anxiety in the minds of the pilgrims in their journey; - however, in about four weeks we got, some of us, to Monongahela county, at a place called White-day Creek, (in) western Va., where we tarried some two years, three or four families of us.

Some turned aside to a place called Georges Creek, in Pa. (This was Woodbridgetown, Fayette County, organized 1790 - CHG). While staying here, a company purchased a tract of land some 40 miles from this (White-day Creek) in Harrison county, Va., thirteen miles west of Clarksburg, in the direction of Merriatta on the Ohio river, distant from Clarksburg, the county seat of Harrison (county) some seventy or eighty miles.

There they commenced a settlement in the form of a village and gave it the name of Salem. The buildings were of a rude character, built mostly of round logs, the floors made of the split timber hewed on both sides, put together with pins made of wood, hung with hinges of the same material; at night barred with strong wooden bars; their roofs were made of what was called clapboards - that were split to about half (an) inch in thickness the upper floors were of the same material.

While at work here their horses were stolen by the Indians, but fortunately they recovered them again. (To) this place a number, some fifteen families, immigrated; - my father among the first.

Here, let it be understood, was a place some distance of twelve or thirteen miles from any settlement of white folks among the hills, where the wild animals - deer, wolves, bear, panther, and other wild animals roamed. But the greatest dread was the Wild-man-of-the-forest (of) whom we could hear of their plundering the inhabitation, some fifteen or twenty miles east of us, not far from the route that we came; which was only a narrow horse track and all of our household stuff and all our provisions were conveyed on horseback, and that till the wild forest could be cleared and cultivated.

So ours was a very dangerous and trying one; but He that has care over the ravens kept us safe from the tommyhawk and scalping knife of the Red-man of the forest, which, in part was affected by a captain with (a) company of soldiers to guard us.

Here was Elder Jacob Davis, before mentioned, from Squan with part if not most of his flock and church-records, and here again re-united the church fellowship; and here, where before there was heard naught but the screech of the wild bird of the forest, the scream of the panther, (the) howl of the wolfe, and the yelp of the Red-man; now

began the praise and thanksgiving of the pilgrims in these wilds to ascend to the Redeemer and kind protector that had kept them safe thus far.

And now did the good news of Salvation through a Saviour begin to sound forth to the listening ear of the weary pilgrims to cheer them in the wilderness, far from their native land and there they left many friends and comforts.

But Elder Davis did not continue long; he was called away from his flock to his long home to meet his rich reward. He was a pious, gifted man and well-beloved by his flock.

The one that succeeded him was John Patterson, (he) was son-in-law of mother's sister Elizabeth and Ephraim Maxson dec., who was their preacher some six or seven years. After him Elder John Davis was their minister as stated before. Here we wish (to state) for the information of those who do not know that the church here called New Salem is the same that was organized in N.J. at a place called Squan, as their records show.

After staying about four years after the treaty of peace with (the) Indians by General Wain, we left the village (and) moved to a place where father had bought a home and some other improvements. (Probably the West Fork, or Lamberts Run settlement, where a S.D.B. Church was organized, 1793. C.H.G.) Others also bought land and moved on it. Some still lived there, and that was the place where they met for worship; and father prospered. From the time we left Jersey to this period is six years, A.D. 1795, at which time I was eleven years old, the eldest son of my father. And now commenced the cutting down of the sturdy oak and the poplar that indangered the buildings, and to get them out of the way (they) had to be sawed up and burned. On this farm father lived till A.D. 1806; - in this year, he and Sm. Davis and his brother Jacob and their families immigrated to the west, in the state of Ohio, to a place noted for its exelent qualities between the two Miames where they arrived in Due time, and within the term of two years bought land in Greene county, now Clark: - a bottom that lay between the Mad River and Mud Run, four hundred and twenty acres. There my father lived till he died.

I shall now proceed to give some account of father's children: Anna married Elder J. Davis son of Samuel; had six sons and four daughters. Brother William had three wives the first had two children, the second four (and) the third six. Sister Judeth married a man named Cornelius Sutton, had seven children. Brother Thomas died a soldier in the war with England in A.D. 1812. Brother Jacob married Lydia, a daughter of Jesse Maxson; had eight children. Joel married a girl by the name of Anna Green, had nine children. John had two wives; one (child) by the first and by the second eight children.

In giving an act. of myself, in regard to my experience in religion and course of conduct and what the Lord has done for me, I wish to do it in the love and fear of God. At the age of thirteen I was brought to see myself a sinner but did not find deliverance at length it wore off. It was some four or five years after this (that) I was brought to see myself. About this time the Lord was bringing sinners to the Saviour by the labors of Elder John Davis and several was baptized; but I did not feel myself to be a fit subject; I feared I had not experianced enough, so stood back; and (I) thought I could

have religion and keep it to myself. In this I was mistaken; - for I lost its enjoyment and was left to wander in vice and folly.

At the age of 19 (October 6th 1803) I was married to Ephraime Maxson's youngest daughter, Charity; who was one of the converts that was baptized at the time named above; - who was a warm Christian. In this connection God was pleased again to bring to my mind my awful condition - which was awful in the extream, but in the most awful extremety deliverence came (and) the joy no tongue can express; but there was at this place no one to administer the ordinance of baptism (so) of course, it was not performed, and again the (experience) wore off.

The same fall that father and company moved, I also imigrated, but not in company, my wife being sick at that time. My wife had bourne two children, but one was dead; - the other was two years old when we went to Ohio. Here I think it fit to state that our first stopping place was near Lebanon, the county seat of Warren (county) and not far from this place was three famalies of our near neighbors in Va. who had preceded me, that were Sabbath-keepers and some thirty miles south, two other famalies of our relations located, for a limited time.

About this time there was a great excitmement in religion. There was a sect cald by the people New Lights, but by themselves Christians. They were a sect that broke off from the Presberterians in (one) of their great revivals at Cambridge, N.Y. The prominent leaders were Barton Stone, J. Thompson, McNamer, and others. They split on doctrinal points: - the points were: on the character of Christ and his divinity; they held that he was begotten of the Father before the world was, that the Father and Son were two distinct persons, but one in union, and that he died for all; that man was a free agent; that salvations was free for all, that if it were not so, it was his own fault. But their energy in worship to me appeared very strange; jerking, screaming, falling, vaulting, running, barking and grimacing, clapping of hands (&c).

At the same time there were, some six miles from Lebanon, a sect called Shaking Quakers that caused a great attraction; many went to see them and many of the noisy shouters, directing of the New Lights went over to them and some of their leaders became their preachers.

Oft times in going among them, the query would rise in my mind, "Can this be genuine religion?" (Then) the thought rose in my mind, "What is it to me?" "Am I a Christian." And I was roused up to a sensibility of my own condition and blessed be God, He left me not to pursue the road to ruin, though I had twice been made happy in his pardoning love but had forgotten the Friend of sinners and was again in the road to ruin, (He) was pleased to again call after such (a) sinner and when near the brink of ruin, the same kind, forsaken Saviour heard the prayer of the poor wandering rebel and (came) to speak (the) peace-giving word: "Thy sins are forgiven thee."

Oh! What joy to have one's mind freed from the guilt of sin and (that) by a twice forsaken Saviour. Even while penning these lines, my soul is so full of that heavenly theme, it is with difficulty that I can pen them.

From this time I resolved by (the) help of God to try to live (a) Christian. (I) commenced family worship, but there being not minister

of our order at this place was not baptized till after we moved to the place mentioned before, in Green County - Mad River.

There were some seven or eight families of Sabbath-keepers (here), some who had migrated since we did from Va., some were members of the Salem Church; my mother and some others were members in the church when in N.J. Father professed religion but did not connect himself with the church at N.J., nor yet at New Salem, yet he was a constant attendant at their social and business meetings.

Here we, in our weakness, endeavored to worship God on Sabbath days, and occasionally have preaching by first day ministers: - by one of them I was baptized in Mad River not having one of our own order and no expectation of any, - had waited too long already.

Some time after this, John Patterson, the minister before mentioned, paid us a visit and organized a little church named Little Bethel; with this church, father, myself with others which had not belonged to (any) church, and a number of the first (day) order who had embraced the Sabbath, joined the little band. And J. Patterson leaving (us), we were destitute of a minister; and in a few years it went down by immergration; - some to Va. and some located in the vicinity of North Hampton.

There I, with others, endeavored to worship God on the Sabbath-day in prayer and praise and formed ourselves into a kind of organization in covenant relations, held meetings of business. While thus circumstanced, Elder L.A. Davis, then of Va., who by the Missionary Society (sent) to Ohio and Indiana on a mission - who found us (as) above described, (and) whose labors were blessed; some five or six through his labors were led to embrace religion, were baptized and were added to the church that was organized.

Some time after this, the church gave me a call to improve my gifts in trying to preach, which was a great undertaking (for) one so poorly qualified; (I) not having an education farther than to read and write and a little in figures; - no school books but Thomas Dillworth's spelling book, (the) New Testament and Bible to read; and could spend but very little time from home, having a farm to improve and provisions to raise for our sustenance. But (it) seemed necessary that some one should take the place, (so) I consented to try, having some impressions in that direction; through much weakness I under took the work. What good may have resulted from labors performed by me in that line, if any, I can not tell. I have had great trials to undergo without and within, yet have had happy seasons in the work, have spent much time visiting and in trying to preach the word, without money and without price.

In accordance with the wish of the church (the Union church in the Beech-woods but now Pike) in A.D., 1827, the 4th of June; - I was set apart to the ministry by prayer and laying on of hands by Eld. L.A. Davis and Deacon Samuel Lippincott.

This church prospered for some time and increased in membership by baptism, (and) by letters from others immigrating from Va. joining the little band. In course of time, the temperance question came up and caused a separation in the church. The party in favor of the temperance reformation left the meeting house and church records to the opposite party and formed themselves into a church on temperance principles. Elder L.A. Davis, Davis Loofboro, and myself were among those that went to the new organization.

The (new) church took the name of North Hampton. From this time a revival commenced the largest and longest I ever witnessed; the most of the old church came over and joined the new. Soon after this, a number bought land in Jackson Township, Shelby County, and commenced a settlement, and in a short time a church was organized, and then one at Port Jefferson, and one at Stoles not long after. (One also near Bloomfield). After which, with the church at North Hampton, (they) have long since gone down by immigration; all but the church at Jackson, which is now enjoying a precious revival at this date, - Feb. 25, A.D. 1864.

I shall next proceed to give some (account) of my own family concerns. I before mentioned my union with Charity Maxson, of our two children and that one of them, who lived was two years old when we came to Ohio. Since then she gave birth to nine (more) and of eleven, we raised only three. Jesse, the oldest, has been married three times; - by his wife Amelia Sayre (he) had two (children), one lived, a girl, married a man named Furrow has a large family. His second wife (was) Mary Forsythe, daughter of Deacon Forsythe, by whom he had three children, only one lived to grow up, and he is in the army. His 3rd wife has three children.

My child Gean was the third; married Joseph Furrow, had nine children, four of them married and have children. My youngest, that lived, was a son named Maxson, who married a woman by the name of Phiotheta Davis, daughter of James and Elizabeth; - had five children, - raised two.

My wife died October 26th, 1835, after having suffered several years of consumption and then past smoothly over the river to the land of rest, to meet her reward. My second wife was Elization D. Stout, Milton Stout's widow, and daughter of Moses Hoffman, at Lost Creek, Va., - with whom I now live. We were married March 16th, A.D. 1837. She had three children by her first husband: - Elizabeth P., Moses H., and Hezekiah M. (Stout). After we were married, she gave birth to three (more) children, viz., Elizabeth Martha, Simeon and Milton Stout. Elizabeth M. is married to Curtis Lippincott, son of Samuel Lippincott, has one girl and two boys. Simeon H. married Elizabeth, daughter of Valentine McCormick, has had two children, both dead. Milton is away to get an education.

And now with a grateful heart I can say the Lord has been very good to me; have been blest with a good constitution to endure labor and fatigue in a good degree. In good health, kind companions, and obedient children, whom I believe are aiming for the land of repose the heavenly Canaan - at least most of them; and hope they all will make that their aim. God be praised for (his) goodness to his unworthy servant.

SIMEON BABCOCK

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The above was written on a ruled booklet, note paper size, about five by eight inches square, stitched together and laid away in good preservation, twenty pages. Another manuscript of same size and authorship was also sent at same time as above, containing but twelve pages of practically the same matter, but not so detailed. Of this I

shall make only a very few brief extracts. Where words were wanted to complete the sense in (the) above, I have inserted them in parentheses. C.H.G. (Charles H. Greene).

The extracts from second journal follow:

(Speaking of Salem's settlement) "Them that had land moved on it. But while staying here, we were put to it to get our living, having to fetch it from a distance of twelve or fifteen miles, on pack horse, through the wilderness. . . . After staying here (at Salem) my father moved on his farm in the year 1795, where he lived till 1806. From thence moved to Ohio. I then was 22 years old. . . . (I) came to Ohio the same fall, lived some two years in Warren County, near Lebanon; - from thence we moved to Green County, where father had bought land (on) Mad River, he lived there till he died in 1820. Here were several families of Seventh-day people. . . . Simeon married Elizabeth McCormick, have had three children, one living. . . . I was born September 1784. At the age of about 25 years I made a profession of religion, was a member of the church above mentioned (Mad River). . . . From here (North Hampton) a number moved some thirty miles to Jackson Township; - and another church was organized. . . . Of this church (North Hampton) I was chosen at its constitution and remained its pastor till some five or six years past."

This was written in the year 1865. A true copy; copied by me this 12th day of August A.D. 1894, at Alfred, N.Y.

Chas. H. Greene.

#### WHAT IS A SENIOR CITIZEN????????

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A senior citizen is one who was here before the pill and the population explosion. . . We were here before television, penicillin, polio shots, antibiotics and frisbees. . . Before frozen foods, nylon, dacron, Xerox, Kinsey, radar, flourescent lights, credit cards and ballpoint pens. . . . For us, time sharing meant togetherness, not computers. . . . A chip meant a piece of wood, hardware meant "hardware" and software wasn't even a word. . . . Coeds never wore slacks. . . . We were before pantyhose and drip-dry clothes. . . . Before icemakers and dishwaashers, clothes dryers, freezers and electric blankets. . . Before Hawaii and Alaska joined us as states. . . Before men wore long hair and earrings and women wore tuxedos. . . We were before Leonard Bernstein, yogurt, Ann Landers, plastic and the 40 hour work week, coffee breaks and minimum wages. . . . We got married first and then lived together. . . . Closets were for clothes, not coming out of, bunnies were small rabbits and rabbits were not Volkswagons. . . . We were before Grandma Moses and Frank Sinatra and cup size for bras. . . . Girls wore Peter Pan collars and thought cleavage was something butchers did. . . . We were before Batman, Rudolph the Rednosed Reindeer and Snoopy. . . Before DDT, vitamin pills, disposable diapers, Q.E. One, Jeeps, the Jefferson Memorial and



pizza. . . Before Cheerios, instant coffee, decaffeinated anything and McDonald's. . . We thought fast food was what you ate during Lent. . . We were before Boy George, J.D. Salinger and Chiquita Banana. . . Before FM radios, tape recorders, electric typewriters, word processors, Muzak and disco-dancing - and that's not all baad. . . In our day, cigarettes smoking was fashionable . . . grass was for mowing, Coke was a refreshing drink and pot was something you cooked in . . . If we'd been asked to explain CIA, MS, NATO, UFO, NFL, JFK, ERS, or IUD, we'd have siad "alphabet soup". . . We are today's senior citizens . . . We're a hardy bunch when you think of how our world has changed and the adjustments we've had to make!

Submitted by Ed Allman

Taken from the Christ Church Tidings of  
Christ Presbyterian Church

### Pupils.

Bert Rogers	Ernest Swisher	Nita Hersman
Bessie Rogers	Clay Hersman	Clyde Morrison
Chloie Rogers	Ora Wagoner	Stanley Hersman
Dennis Swisher	Gladys Rogers	Bertha Louderback
John Willfawn	Luther Wagoner	Lettie Rogers
Vertenis Allman	Rosecoe Francis	Ernest Rogers
Sarah Hersman	Ressie Allman	Harvey Wagoner
Hayward Rogers	Aldie Wagoner	Ella Allman
Edward Wagoner	Harry Swisher	Dona Duncan
Denis Warner		

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SUB-DISTRICT NO. 12  
HACKER'S CREEK DISTRICT,  
LEWIS CO., W. VA.

School Term Five Months, 1901-'02.

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BUCKHANNON RUN SCHOOL ENROLLMENT, 1901-02

## RANDOLPH COUNTY, VIRGINIA (now West Virginia)

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February the 16, 1802 surveyed for William ALMAN as of Edward Jackson 200 acres of land in Randolph County on part of an Exchange Warrant of 2010 acres as 1218 dated the 12 of January 1802 & entered the 13 of February 1802 to include the same ground that he now lives on which was formerly part of a Settlement Right granted to James Schoolcraft in 1776 but not surveyed until the Law expired for surveying of such claims which was passed in the *Scfo* *cor* SESSION of 1798 & is adjoining of the heirs of Anthony Reger deceased & John Bozarth & is bounded as followeth vir.

Beginning at a W.O. a corner for the said Heirs & running with their line S. 6. W. 12 <sup>126 POLES</sup> ~~6~~ crossing of Finks run to a poplar their corner S. 75 W. 130 (or 30) ~~to~~ to a gum N. 50. W. 115 ~~to~~ to an ash N. 60. W. 100 ~~to~~ to a W.O. said Bozarth corner which corner stands 18 poles South of the mouth of the Bridg <sup>BRIDGE</sup> Run N. 160 ~~to~~ to a poplar S. 55. E. 255 ~~to~~ to the Beginning.

Scale 100 ~~to~~ to an inch.

Variation 21 " *rr* (*W*)

*R.*  
H (?) Jackson S.K.C.  
(H for Henry ??)

*ps. ps.*

NOTES: ~~to~~ - after numbers must mean POLES.  
S.R.C. - after signature must mean,  
Surveyor Randolph County.

RANDOLPH COUNTY, VIRGINIA (now West Virginia)

LAND RECORDS - Book 1, Page 219

August the 17, 1799 surveyed for William AULMAN *A<sup>sr</sup>* of David Casto *Casto<sup>sr</sup>* of Jas. Schoolcraft 200 acres of land in Randolph County virtue of part of a Certificate for 600 acres in right of settlement granted by the commissioners appointed to settle the claims to unpatented lands in the counties of Monongalia, Yohogany & Ohio to include his settlement made in the year 1776 given the 5th. Day of April & in the 5th. year of the Commonwealth & on the main fork of Finks run adjoining lands of John Bozarth & Bounded as followeth vir.

Beginning at a W.O. a corner made for Anthony Reger & with his line <sup>126 POLES</sup> S. 6. W. 126 <sup>/r</sup> crossing Finks run to a poplar said Regers corner S. 75. W. 30 <sup>/r</sup> to a gum W. 50 W. 113 <sup>/r</sup> to an oak N. 60. W. 100 <sup>/r</sup> to a W.O. a corner to said Bozarth which corner stands 18 <sup>/r</sup> South of the mouth of Bridge run then a north course up the same with it's meanders thereof to a poplar that stands North 160 poles from the last mentioned white oak S. 55 E. 255 <sup>/r</sup> to the Beginning.

Scale 100 <sup>/r</sup> to an inch.Variation 21" *N. (W)*Henry Jackson *H. J.*

Edward Jackson S.R.C.

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## LETTERS FROM JAMES FRANK WRIGHT by Robert B. Smith

The following are letters written by James Frank Wright of Indianapolis, Indiana, in response to queries sent to him by Elouise May Roberts, writer of "Four Revolutionary Soldiers", who was a Wright/ Sleeth descendent. These letters were in the files of J.W.Smith's material and were sent to J.W. after Elouise May Roberts died. There were no copies of letters Mrs. Roberts sent to J.F. Wright. It would be interesting to know what questions she asked of J.W.Wright and if her geneological files still exist. Here's a challenge for Lolita Guthrie and Hartzel Strader. How about it cousins!, see what you can find out. I typed these letters from the original ones which I have copies of. This work was started in the early 1900s and I'm sure there is a lot of valuable information, on the Wright's and Sleeth's, somewhere in Ohio and Indiana to be found.

Robert B. Smith  
Asst. Editor

Indianapolis, Indiana  
March 6, 1918

My Dear Relative:

When the Wright family lived in Scotland, the family name was "MacGregor" (Son of Greek Man) and our ancestor was Chief of the Clan MacGregor. As history shows, this was one of the wildest and to the English Government, one of the most to be dreaded of the Mountain Scotch.

After many efforts to subdue the Highlanders, the Government offered pardon to all those Scotch Clans of the Highlands who would agree to abandon their Clan names and accept the name of Campbell. The Campbells were of Italian origin "Campbell- War Camps" and though in cordial sympathy with the English Government were cordially hated by all the Highlanders. So much so that many attempts were made to murder Lord Campbell.

The offer of pardon was accepted by some of the Clans which had been very nearly destroyed by famine and guerilla warfare, but most of them refused the terms, saying they were proud to live or die under the Clan names. Among these were the Clans MacGregor, MacLean, MacLoren, Grant and others.

So there was nothing for the English Government to do but to continue to hunt them down and kill them off. (Rob Roy was one of the Clan MacGregor).

The Clan MacGregor, like the rest of the Highland Clans, would come down from the mountains, raid some Lowland Communities, kill of a few, seize cattle, grain and anything else they took a fancy too, which not infrequently included a handsome woman, and return to their mountains for safety.

This sounds crude to us today, but it was part of their education and regarded by them as perfectly legitimate. I have seen just such education and it's results among the inhabitants of Kentucky, where I spent ten years, who resented the attempts of the Government to keep them from making whiskey out of their corn.

In the course of time came the great battle of Culloden, in 1746, in which all the Highlanders took part with the Stewarts, the Roman Catholic side, and which resulted on disastrous defeat. The Clan MacGregor was all but destroyed and the Chief had to flee to save his life. The English, under the command of one Lord Leith, Leeth or Leet, made a diligent search for him. He managed to evade capture and reached the coast, took passage on some vessel and reached Ireland.

He took the name of Wright a "Master Workman" and not long after secured passage to America.

Lord Leeth wanted this man so bad that he induced the Government to offer a reward for his capture of the MacGregor, dead or alive, preferably dead. Government spies came to America and hunted for him and they all but captured him.

He was found in New Jersey still under the name of Wright. His family had followed him and because the writ of attainer against all of them, they were compelled to keep the name of Wright, as, if captured, all would have been taken back to England and beheaded. Lord Leeth's detectives were unable to prove this to be the remnant of the Clan MacGregor, and so could not arrest them, for the Colonies were very jealous of all rights which the British Government contended for and this resulted, as you know, in the War of the Revolution, thirty years later.

I doubt not that the MacGregor's were once more delighted to engage in a scrap with Great Britain, but there are no records that I have ever been able to find which show service in the "Rebel Ranks".

Finding the secret service under Lord Leeth so persistent and fearing to remain so close to the coast, where they might have been kidnaped and unlawfully transported to England, the Wright family soon took up their residence in Pennsylvania, as being safer for them among the Quakers. But the spies followed them and for some years continued their efforts to secure evidence of the true identity of the family.

In the course of time the stern old Chieftain of the MacGregors died and as the spies were even at the funeral seeking evidence, he was buried under the name of Wright.

Thus, because the writ of attainer ran against all his descendants, who had no desire to return to England and be beheaded, they continued under the name of Wright and forever abandoned the Clan name of MacGregor.

Afterwards Lord Leeth found himself in disfavor with the English Throan and he, and his family were forced to leave and come to America in disguise. Here they were known under the name of Sleeth, and it thus happens that these two old warring families were united by numerous marriages, once more showing that "God moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform".

Of course there came finally separations of the family, and at least one branch came to Kentuckey. I am inclined to believe that our ancestor came first to some point not far from Maysville, Kentuckey, but this is largely a guess on my part.

Later, when Ohio, Indiana and the adjoining states had been surveyed, one branch, "Caleb Wright", moved to a farm not far from Chillicothe. From this point I have been able to trace them with tolerable accuracy.

I find the first trace in the family of the breaking away from the Cathioic Church after coming to Ohio. There they are found to be Baptist, but it may be that they long before became Protestants.

The Wright's were tall, spare in frame, religious, stubborn, never ready to admit that they might be mistaken and that others might be right.

Uncle Nathan lived on a farm near Quincy. When I was four or five years old, I, with my mother and three brothers, went on a visit to them. This is the only time I ever saw Grandfather Caleb Wright and his wife.

Uncle Nathan was the tallest of the family, a very silent, thoughtful man, not given to talking much and especially to children, which is generally a family characteristic.

Some years ago my neice, Mrs. Mary Orenbaugh, was visiting in New York State. There she met a man named Wright who related the family tradition of our origin about as I knew it.

James Frank Wright  
Indianapolis

Indianapolis, Indiana  
March 27, 1918

My Dear Neice:

Your letter of the 12th. inst. is before me. for a second reading and possibly for an answer. But you put me to so many bewildering queries and suggestions and casually tell me so many astonishing things that I find myself constantly wondering why you appeal to me when you know so much more than I have ever known of the family history. I am inclined to feel that you must be laughing at me for the crude accounts that I have given you. I should have written you before but I am quite a good deal occupied, looking after my brother who is ill, and moreover, I hurt my hand several days ago so that it is even now an effort for me to write. I have no other excuse for the delay. I think I told you in a former letter that one Lord Leet or Leeth who was a branch of the Campbells of Scotland was very persistent in his endeavors to secure the person of our Scotch highland ancestor and even sent his secret service men to America to secure him if possible. But I am afraid I did not tell you the rest of the story and as it has been interesting to me, I think you may also want it. This Lord Leet or Leeth at last came into disfavor with the English Throne and being threatened with imprisonment (or perhaps death, I don't know as to this), he also was forced to come to America and he must have found his enemies searching for him in this country for he changed his name and was from that time on known by the name of Sleeth. In the course of events there came about a marriage with the Wrights and this may have been the marriage of Mary Sleeth to Caleb Wright. I cannot say how I get this impression, but I think there must have been a marriage of a Sleeth and Wright even earlier in the generation before that of Caleb Wright. Certain it is that, as I have so often heard it asserted, The Wrights are all related to the Sleeths. I once taught a country school in the north west part of Shelby County, some twelve miles from Shelbyville, and I had a girl named Sleeth, who boasted to others that she was my fourth cousin. I was not proud of the relationship. She was perhaps three years younger than I, and nearly twice as large and I am sure she was more ungainly, awkward and ignorant than I, and as beautiful as home made sin. I never even cared to whom were her parents. I once mentioned having such a student, to my father, but he said he did not know of her or her family. I think he too, had the feeling that there was no particular honor in seeking to establish relationship with them.

There were two Sleeth brothers of Mary Sleeth, (Mary and Caleb Wright), who lived four miles from Shelbyville. They were farmers. One of these I have seen a few times and my father called him Caleb. He was a rugged, frosty looking old man and I think the brothers were not married. Also in another direction and about the same distance from town lived an Anderson Sleeth. He was a second cousin to my father, which of course makes his children my third cousins. One of these is named Orlando. There were seven others but I do not remember their names.

Answering your direct queries;

1. I have no information as to the date of birth, death or marriage of Gabriel Wright nor whom he married. I would not be surprised if it were not a Sleeth, nor any information as to his children other than Caleb. I think Caleb Wright must have been rather wild and reckless when a young man in Kentucky. I get this from a remark from my Uncle Mathias.

2. I have no knowledge of the dates of birth, death or marriage of Caleb Wright. He may have been married at Chillicothe or Anderson, Ohio, but I think it more probable he was married elsewhere and it seems more likely he was married in Kentucky. He must have died prior to 1861 at or near Quincy, Ohio. His wife was blind ten years before her death. She died soon after the war of 1861-65.

3. I have never heard the names of the parents of Sarah, Rose, etc. Sleeth. None of them ever spoke of their parents but because they were cousins of my father, their father must have been a brother of Mary and Caleb Sleeth.

4. The Caleb Wright (1746-86) who was at the battle of Pennington was probably a branch of the family and perhaps a brother of Gabriel Wright.

5. I can hardly believe the Wrights, Samuel of Mass., Peter of N.Y. or Nicholas are branches of our family. Yet this is only a guess.

6. I never heard the name of the original Wright or any names of his family.

7. From the names of the children of James Wright, (William, Abner, Jackson, Thomas, Reuben and John) I think it a fair inference that they are branches of our family.

Doubtless the Wrights in your quodom Wright acquaintance as living in Kentucky are branches of our family and the James Wright was very probably a brother of Gabriel Wright.

I think I have answered your queries as fully as I am able. You will pardon my delay in this answer.

Yours cordially

J.F. Wright  
930 Olive St.

There are seven families here the heads of which have my name.

Indianapolis, Indiana

April 20, 1918

My Dear---Relative

Note my hesitancy as to how to address you. I must say, however, that I feel very proud to be your relative, remote though the blood tie is.

I would have answered you before, but I have been very ill, and am today out of bed for the first time. I am weak as a cat, but perhaps the proverbial nine lives of the cat are also for me, in which case it would be as broad as it is long. I see my hand is still unsteady. If you also observe it don't attribute it to whiskey, beer and other devils broths. Indiana is a dry state. I could moreover write an eloquent discourse upon the glories the state enjoyed under the reign of the murder mills usually known as saloons, but this is not the time for that and perhaps it would not be interesting to you. I have been down with what is called (Dukes Disease]. It may sound to you very aristocratic. Take it from me, it is not the sort of thing to be coveted.

I am interested more than you think in what you tell me of Gabriel Wright. Comparing the dates and patching the whole together, I believe that the one you have located through the Virginia records is our Gabriel Wright of Kentucky. But as family after family seem to have adheared to the customs of continuing the familiar names, it may be that he was of one of the other branches, though the probabilities are that this same Gabriel found life in the Colonies too tame at the close of the war and since the love of fighting was in him, he came over into Kentuckey to indulge in his passion by fighting the wolves, rattlesnakes, Indians and other vermin. Now I don't know that you are interested in extreous matters, but this brings up another branch of the matter that used to interest me more or less and once led me - don't dispise me for it - to give a series of four addresses, each an hour in length, to an audience composed of the leading teachers, ministers and professionals of Indianapolis and I was asked to continue the addresses indefinately, which I declined, though I did afterward give a two hour talk at the State University upon the theme. But I will give you a hint of what it was all about.

At the close of the Revolutionary War, or following it perhaps some years later, Patrick Henry was deeply interested in finding a solution of the great Indian problem, which was then regarded as the greatest, or at least one of the greatest problems before the new Nation. He thought he had found the solution and he embodied it in a bill which he presented to the Virginia Legislature and which he labored earnestly, though unseccessfully to have passed. I feel since he must have died a disappointed man at last, because his pet measure was defeated. But had he known his Bible as well as I think I know mine, he never would have been so enthusiastic over it and we would have been saved several troubles, some of which are still with us and are likely to remain till Gabriel [not Wright] but the Archangel blows his trumpet.

The bill referred to provided that every settler in the vast Wild West, known as the territory of Virginia should be permitted to choose his own site and upon having it surveyed and then recorded in the Virginia Land Office and then become a bonafide resident thereon, should be protected in all his rights against



all encroachments by enemies, etc., etc. and further that such surveys[ I can not give the exact language of the bill] should be permitted to extend over as much soil as would take in 36 square miles [ equal to a Congressional Township] if such bonafide settler so desired. The bill further provided that any such settler who should [would] intermingle with the Indians, should have an extra grant of land for so doing. This was Mr. Henry's solution of the great unsolved problem of what to do with that part of the vermin that had human shapes. He had just as well have arranged for the assimilation of the other vermin by the same method.

The territory of Virginia was so vast that the wisest statesman could not conceive how, even under the most alluring inducements it could be settled up inside of a hundred years, or probably a much longer time, perhaps 200 years or longer. It would include Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota and it may be other ground, part of Tennessee perhaps and possibly west of the Mississippi to a slight extent. It occurs to me to add that this is the same country which Vice President Hendricks, then Governor of Indiana, had in mind when, during the war of 1861-1865, he advocated permitting the eleven States of the Confederacy secede and he would establish this as the North West Confederacy.

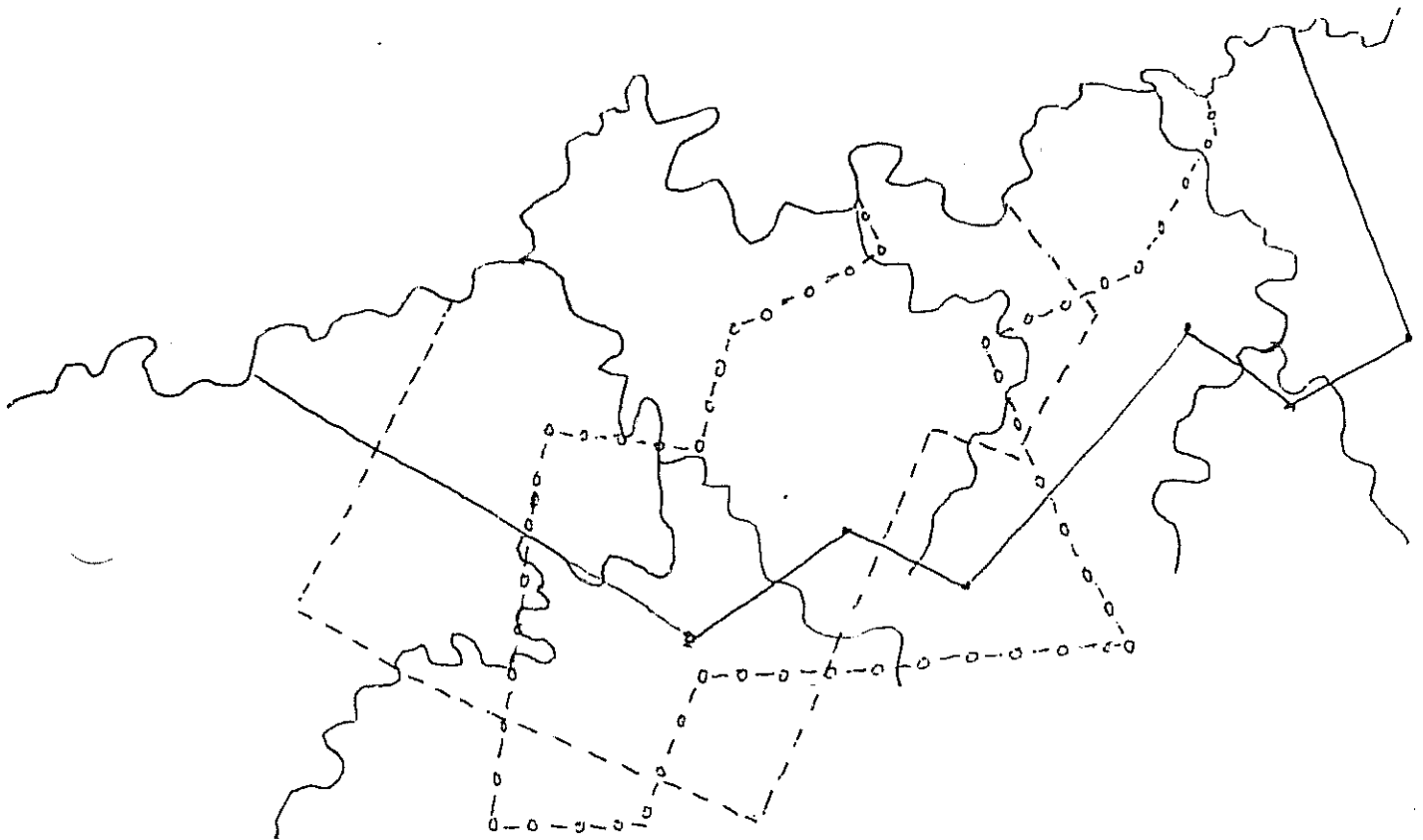
News of the pendency of this bill before the Virginia Legislature created a Western fever and thousands of families traveled to Kentucky, some going by the overland route in moving wagons and others going by the river[ Ohio] route. Most of these were then killed by Indians and those on the overland route who escaped the Indians starved to death. It is all a sad story too long to be put down here.

But it was a long wearisome journey and of those who succeeded in reaching [ The Dark and Bloody Ground] but few had the courage and persistence to follow up the undertaking. For it was a toil of two or three months to make the journey and as much more to return to Virginia with the survey for record. It was too great a task, and but few, comparatively lived to carry it out. The great majority became hunters, small farmers, Indian fighters, like Daniel Boone. I have seen a few specimens of his writing in the museum at Raleigh, N.C. and I admit he wrote a better hand than I, though he did not know his spelling book as well, nor yet his grammar.

Mountain outlaws and what we now may class as bums, trash, poor whites and real estate speculators. I have come in contact with all of these classes and once I classified them, and I laugh yet as I recur to that work and it's results in after years.

But the territory of Virginia had not been surveyed by the Government and Kentucky, Tennessee and most of the original thirteen Colonies are still in a queer jumble for want of Government lines of survey. In the days I speak of, Kentucky and Tennessee were the favorite spots for the first settlers. Ohio, Indiana and Illinois were left for the Indians, wolves, malaria and other pests. These were not regarded as habitable by decent white men. Read Martin Chuzzlewit for some descriptions which fit in here beautifully. Now pardon me for a diagram, crude but substantially accurate. My first line may represent the Ohio River or any other of the rivers of Kentucky and the others may represent lateral streams. The three irregular lines are

surveys as decided upon by three settlers.



Each man has his own idea of the land he wishes and his survey avoided certain hills and mountains and takes in certain bottom lands, springs, creeks and rivers. The amount permitted him is usually greater than his wildest dreams of acquired territory. The first settler completes his survey and then goes back with it to have it recorded in Virginia. But this required two to five months and while he was away another settler came, completed his survey and he too made the trip back to Virginia. There were no railways then and the Overland route was most generally blazed by the bones of murdered and starved adventurers, their horses and cattle. It was hard to understand how, when these several settlers at last returned to their newly acquired possessions, they looked upon each other as robbers and land thieves. Some went into the courts. Such were the Eudalays, now of Indiana, and a number of others. There was a play based on the Eudalays that was very popular with theatre goers some years ago. But many of these desperate settlers fought each other in the courts until they had no more money to waste on the courts and the lawyers and then the crack of the rifle was heard. The mountain outlaws, vultures as they were, came down to take part in these feuds and they aided in keeping the killing going for awhile the going was good. The Hatfield-McCoy feud was one of many such feuds which have been going on for nearly or quite a hundred years. As fast as the children grew old enough to handle a rifle they went gunning for the enemys of their fathers who had been assassinated years before. Even the decorum of a court room could not keep the rifles quiet.

Meanwhile, all the territory north of the Ohio and Westward was surveyed by the Government and laid off in regular manner with townships and range lines. Thus we have escaped the confusion and distress which had come to Kentuckey. I am informed that there are city lots in Louisville to which no man has a clear title.

Some few of the early settlers did marry into Indian families. These were mainly poor white trash. It was easier to do this than settle and survey and go to the trouble of carrying back to Virginia the survey for record. One of these was John Ishmael, son of Benjamin and Jennie Ishmael. he married Harbet, a half breed Indian. But the bill which he supposed was the law failed to get the consent of the Virginia Legislature and so of course he got no land by his unholy alliance. However that seems not to have worked any domestic troubles for John, for he lived with Betsey as long as he lived. They came to Indianapolis about 1820-22, raised a large family, were paupers and thieves in a small way, spent the winters in poor houses, or lived in hollow logs or bark shelters easily constructed and went Gypsying during the summers. They were regarded as being much lower than the Indians and the Indians and wolves were in the same class among the early settlers. I have held many conversations with the descendants of John and Betsey Ishmael of the third and fourth generations and I accumulated a vast fund of information no one ever possessed before, or perhaps never wished to possess.

And all the world has rushed on. Patrick Henry and his much discussed bill have been forgotten, the Indian problem is solved and in strict accordance with the Scriptures, and we have the Virginia, Kentuckey and Tennessee feuds and the mongrel trash, like the Ishmaels left with us, while Kentuckey would be relieved to know how she can quiet her land titles to the satisfaction of all parties. My father-in-law purchased, by trade, a 500 acre tract of land in Tennessee, paid taxes and back taxes and divers other claims to hold it, found his taxes raising by leaps and bounds and finally was informed that no man had title to the land. Then he lost interest in it, too, and refused to answer further demands made by tax collectors down there.

I have wondered if perhaps Gabriel Wright was not also more or less involved in the land feuds and legal troubles, and if finally Caleb Wright was not hastened in his removal to Ohio by then. There is absolute silence as to all of that earlier [Kentuckey] history and this leads me to suspect. But the Wrights were a long, spare, loosely built people. You recall what Caesar said.

I like not yonder Cassius. He hath a lean and hungry look. Such men are dangerous. Give me fat men, men that sleep "O" nights, and the Wrights were silent, did not talk much, except myself, and had all the dour reserve of their ancestors. There is a hint of disgrace for Caleb Wright which goes back into Kentuckey. But beyond a sneering, brutal hint dropped by Uncle Matthias, I never could get a word. The story is so shameful that I never refer to it and have never before spoken this much to anyone.

Referring to the Ishmaels, if you read "The Pararie", which is the last of the "Leather Stocking" series by Fennimore

Cooper, you will read of a branch of the Ishmaels, who were beyond a doubt relatives of John Ishmael. The names there are Ishmael and Esther Bush, or "Skirting Ishmael" and the mysterious disappointments from the world of this family fits exactly with the story which old Kate Ishmael told me, only she said the family believed "the spirits got em". This now brings me to a partial answer to one of your questions, which I find more difficult to answer, than you ask.

You ask for something that I have written. How can I meet your wish. I used to write six or seven columns daily for the paper. Those days I was only a poor reporter and my work was mostly of a routine character. I recall one huge jest that I played on the other reporters, in the way of a five column sensation about a family of thieves and outlaws, which involved the number of over a dozen people. The reporters, one of them was Harry New, now Senator New of Indiana, never would forgive me for so great a "scoop" as they called it. Of course those things could never interest you.

After I reformed and quit the news paper, I was so situated as to become deeply interested in a study of pauperism, vice, and crime and here I first met up with the Ishmaels. Following up the matter, I found there was a curious binding together of paupers and criminal families by marriage, and that no one had ever undertaken a study of these morsels of humanity, crumbs from Satans table and made a record of it. I then originated my system of diagrams, a little of which you have, and then began my search after the facts, the births, marriages, deaths, etc., of the underworld, "the submerged tenth". It was a queer thing, an interesting study. I was frowned upon by some, sneered at by some, abused by at least our party paper in a column editorial and that editorial had such tentacles and so long that they reached into the whole House at Washington and into the United States Senate. But most of those parties are gone to their long home and I feel it would be unnecessary cruelty to drag them out again. I was frowned upon by a minister, a Mr. McCullough, who afterwards handsomely acknowledged I was right and he was wrong. He then took my big diagram, with a hand full of facts I had gathered, went to the National Conference of Charities and Corrections, then holding annual sessions at Buffalo, N.Y., delivered an address of thirty minutes upon my work and was overjoyed the next day to see the report of these sessions of the day under the heading "The Tribe of Ishmael", and to find that most of the report was devoted to his address and the discussions following it. This brought me to the front the next year "1889" and I a "Republican" was sent to the Conference at Baltimore by the Commissioners of this County "Democrats" as the business representative of Marion County. That was no small triumph for me, but it was then that I was given a column of abuse in the Indianapolis Journal, the paper of my political faith. While at the Baltimore Conference, I was called upon for a ten minute talk upon my "Tribe of Ishmael", when I presented a still different form of diagram and I am sure you will not think me conceited when I say I caused a buzz in my audience. I was telling them things they had never heard before and yet these were the things they were supposed to have been discussing and to have known all about for 25 years before that. But a correspondent for the New York papers called on me that night for an interview and I gave him a talk of over an hour. I never

saw what he wrote of it and after two weeks in the Conference I came home. A few days later I had a letter from Arkell and Harrison, then publishers of Frank Leslie's "Illustrated Weekly" begging me to give them a column article about the work I had done. I declined saying I could not say anything on a column article worth the printing. They wrote again, asking me to give them all I would and promising to publish it. Some days elapsed and one night I sat down and wrote three columns for them. Yes and they published it all too, and paid me for it. The easiest money I have ever earned. Possibly you may be interested to know that the Harrison of the Firm is a son of President Harrison and that he is here now helping to make it interesting if not entertaining to Pro Germans, under the direct employment of the Government.

My only assistant in my work upon the Tribe of Ishmael was a Miss Kate F. Parker, who held papers and called off names and details to me as I wrote out the diagram. Through courtesy, I permitted her name to precede mine, whereas she was very happy. We quarreled later.

When I began the work, I thought that I should find possibly fifty family stocks related by marriage among the paupers and criminals. It took a twelve foot sheet of architects drawing paper, five feet wide to begin my work. When I finished it, I had traced thereon thirty five family stocks. Some of the stocks I could trace but a part of two generations. Others I traced a part of six generations. The total number of individuals was 1787. I hunted out the history of all these and it was a queer lot of information. I felt like I had been in a sewer. I had about 50,000 pages of manuscripts upon the subject. Then Miss Parker crossed swords with me and finally she destroyed it all.

The Ishmael Family is the central family in the diagram and naturally, being more or less a headliner, I called the whole thing "The Tribe of Ishmael". After the diagram was completed, Mr. McCulloch had it sent on to Boston, photo-gravure, lithographed and it was thus reduced to a length of five feet. He then had a copy bound in Morocco, with his address, delivered at the Buffalo Conference and sent for an exhibit to the Paris Exposition. Later a London Library wrote to ask for it to add to the library, which was acceded to. I don't know how many copies were printed, but the Kansas City Charities took 500 copies. They cost 50 cents. I have but one copy left. I am an old man now and I don't like to let that go. The Baptist College at Franklin, Indiana has a copy spread under a sheet of glass and no one is allowed to put hands upon it. Yes, I have written a story of about 135,000 words, an Indiana story. I think it is a good one, too, but I am too poor to get it into print, so I guess it will have to die with me. Perhaps the world has not missed much.

I am getting very tired and I believe I have about covered all you asked.

Cordially  
J.F. Wright

Indianapolis, Indiana  
May 19, 1918

My Dear Cousin:

I address you such because you seem to admire the relationship, though as a matter of fact the relationship is not that of cousins, since you are in a part of one generation while I am of the other generation. Cousinship may be also expressed by the term "Brother of the second degree". I can better show it by my systems of diagrams.

You know me well enough by this time to pardon me for perpetrating another diagram in a letter.

My two oldest brothers are still living but the one, John, living near me grows weaker steadily and I am so discouraged about him that I wrote a card, thursday, to brother George, reciteing his condition and as a result he came up from Shelbyville yesterday and is still here. He seems to be able to cheer up John as no one else can. Last night I went over and talked to both of them about my correspondence with you and they were greatly interested and each told me something new, which you perhaps will be able to find as interesting as I did. Also, I took over all your letters to me for George to see, but his eyesight is so poor that he is unable to read them and he asked permission to take them home where he can have his daughter read them to him.

Brother John named (John Alexander), told us that Uncle Alexander was a Baptist Preacher. He went south, probably to South Carolina and in no long time stirred up for himself by denouncing Slavery. This finally resulted in a call upon him by a committee of planters who informed him that his peculiar views were not the sort that strove in that climate and that must cease his talks or there would be trouble. He took the suggestion and returned to Ohio. I think the family was then living in Chillicothe, Ohio. He died soon afterward.

Brother George told us that Grandfather Caleb Wright was in the war of 1812 and served under Gen. Wayne (Mad Anthony) Wayne, but while under Gen. Wayne, he was a scout for Commodore Perry. He seems to have been employed in the region from Detroit down as far as Fort Wayne, but what territory he really covered is not known. His employment, by Perry, was probably because of the relationship. He was chased by a band of Indians once and was shot through the thigh, but he managed to cling to his horse and was compelled to ride 70 miles before he could get his wound dressed. This lamed him and he limped a good deal the rest of his life.

Mrs. Sarah Sleeth Johnson, if living, as I think she is, is at Morristown, Indiana. She is now 75-78 years old. When I was a child, she, like her brothers and sisters, was a good deal of a talker. Shall I say she was my superior? She used to tell me many things of the family history and it was she that told me the story of William, son of Abner Wright. I would suggest that you write her a letter, asking her to tell you about the Sleeths and their traditions and what she knows of relationship. In so doing it would be well to number your queries. If she is too old to write, she probably would get some one to write for her. I have no doubt she can tell just how the Sleeths are related to Commodore Perry, Where Caleb Wright was married, about

when he came to Ohio and from what place in Kentucky and many other things you wish to know.

I have been employed in a little business which has taken me every day to Fort Benjamin Harrison for the last three weeks. The work is very exacting and I come home each night so tired I could hardly stand, only to get up at 4:30 the next morning and have it to do over again. Last night I quit and I am so thankful I am out of it. I had been hoping to answer your last letter ever since it came but was really too tired each day and even now I am forcing myself to do this. I appreciate your letters more than I can say, for it expresses my views of the family characteristics the best I have yet seen. I wish I had the letter by me now as it contains several points I would like to speak of, but as I said, I have turned over to my brother all of your letters for his pleasure and probably will not be returned to me for a week or more. So I sent this, that you may not think I have been treating you with a careless indifference.

I shall try to give you a more satisfactory letter next time. Of course you will find a pardon for an old man who is perfectly willing to be called.

Your Uncle or Cousin or anything you please  
J.F. Wright

I think this event happened in 1987

Bob Smith

### *Mrs. Taylor Gets Wish At Meadowview Manor*



**MRS. GLADYS TAYLOR**

The Rev. Charles Donley of the Marshville Baptist Church baptized Mrs. Gladys Taylor at the Meadowview Manor Health Care Center in Bridgeport on the Saturday before Easter.

"I always wanted to be baptized by immersion," said Mrs. Taylor. "When I was a little girl and joined the church, it was winter time. Then we would have had to break the ice in the river. It was too cold for me to be immersed."

Mrs. Taylor always lived in the Hacker's Creek district where she was born on Nov. 20, 1896. She taught school for a time before her marriage in 1918 to Freddy Lee Taylor. She and her husband farmed raising berries, fruits, vegetables, sheep and cattle. "It was mainly a fruit farm," she said. "Once we set out 300 fruit trees at one time."

The baptismal ceremony was preceded by the singing of hymns accompanied by Becky Bailey, pianist, and Maxine San Julian, guitarist. The youth group under the direction of Debbie Herrod presented a pageant depicting Christ's trial and crucifixion.

Afterwards more than 30 persons attended the baptism of Mrs. Taylor.

RANGES RUN CEMETERY AND THE MARSH FAMILY  
Compiled by Joy Gilchrist from  
information received from William A. Marsh

NOTE: A report on the Ranges Run/Rain(es) Run Cemetery in Vol. VI-2, p. 95, by Hartzel Strader and a query in the same issue from Jim Strong questioning Salathiel B. Hardman's connection to the George I. Marsh family prompted some comments from William A. Marsh of Rayne, LA, which are important to researchers in the Skin Creek District of Lewis County.

Spencer Marsh and his second wife, Sally Curtis Marsh, came from Culpeper County, VA, to the Vandalia, now Lewis County, area, in 1809. Spencer had five sons and one daughter. The eldest, Hiram, was born in 1802 in Northumberland County, VA, to Spencer's first wife, Nancy Denny. Other sons, all born to Sally, were: John Curtis, born 1809 in Culpeper County; George I., born 1813 in Harrison/Lewis County (William Marsh's g.g. grandfather); Jonathon, born 1814 in Lewis County; and, Alexander, born 1817 in Lewis County. Information on the daughter is elusive. A Jane Marsh married Peter Sierns (Sims) in 1823 who would be the right age, but nothing positive proves her the daughter.

Sam Hardman's "History of the Vandalia Community", p. 6, gives a narrative of the Marsh family and mentions the Ranges Run Cemetery. While the document is useful and provides a history of the community which would otherwise have been lost, it is incorrect in some respects.

Hardman says Spencer's "second wife was the widow of Alexander Sinclair Waugh, already the mother of seven children and who also bore children by Marsh". This is incorrect--Sally Curtis married Spencer Marsh around 1805-1808 before Spencer moved into the Big Skin Creek area. In 1810 census she was listed as being between 16-26 years of age, and ages matched through the 1820-30-40 census. Other errors include:

- (a) Hiram, born in 1802, and seven years old in 1809, John C. (born 1809), the daughter (?) aged three to five years, and three as-yet-unborn sons (George I., Jonathon, and Alexander) were hardly "children grown up to manhood and womanhood when he (Spencer) came into the community. . ."
- (b) "Hiram, one of his eldest sons who was perhaps already married when his father came to the Big Skin Creek" - - Not so -- Hiram's first marriage in Lewis County was ca 1830-32 (wife?). His second marriage was Sally A. Johnson (aged 18) in 1848; his third marriage was to Mary Morrison in 1858.

Based on Hardman's description of the Ranges Run Cemetery and his statement that Marsh's were buried there, specifically members of the Hiram Marsh family, Bill Marsh and his family visited the site in the summer of 1970. They also found the stones with the inscriptions "SM", "FM", and "EJ". (See photos next page) Bill says:

"The 'SM' and 'FM' stones most likely pertained to Hiram's family. I have no idea as to who the 'EJ' stone belongs to. Hiram married a 2nd wife in 1848--Sally A. Johnson. The 'EJ' could be a member of the Johnson family, possibly



mother-in-law. The 'SM' could be Sally Johnson Marsh, Sally Curtis Marsh (Spencer's wife) or Spencer Marsh. We will probably never know. . . .

"I believe this burial site was used primarily by the Hiram Marsh family in the early days. Most of the Marsh's from John C and George I Marsh families are buried in the Vandalia Cemetery back as far as 1835-1837. In the 1840 census Spencer and his wife, Sally Curtis, were living with their son Alexander and his wife Ann (Peterson). Alexander died of TB in 1846. Neither Spencer or his wife appear with any Marsh's or related Marsh's in the 1850's census. Both could have died during the period 1840-1850 -- I'm pretty sure Spencer died since he would have been around 86 in 1850, but I am not so sure that Sally (Curtis) died. I'm more inclined to believe she remarried, but to whom?"

Re the Hardman-Marsh connection, Bill Marsh says:

"John C and George I Marsh married Mary and Margaret Bonnet--John C in 1831 and George I on December 19, 1834. Salathiel B. Hardman was born April 6, 1834, and was raised with the George I. Marsh family. He is listed by name in the 1850 census. When the Civil War began, he and Hiram Marsh (George I.'s son) enlisted together in Co I, 31st VA Infantry (Stonewall Jackson Brigade) Confederate Army on June 2, 1861--Salathiel (age 27) was a Pvt, Hiram (age 23) as 4th Sgt. Hiram was promoted to 2nd Lt, then 1st Lt, and was wounded at the Battle of Cedar Mountain, died August 9, 1862, and is buried in Oakwood Cemetery in Richmond, VA. Salathiel was a private throughout his service. He was married to Rebecca A. McNemar April 21, 1857, so left a child and wife when he enlisted.

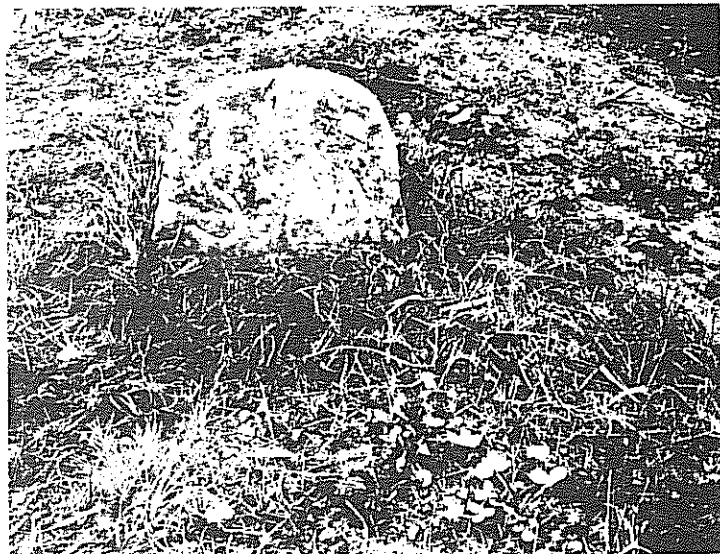
"My records show he (Salathiel) lived in the Lewis County-Upshur County area throughout his life. In the 1880 census he was in Upshur County working as a blacksmith. I have nothing to show he ever lived in Ritchie County.

"The foregoing are established facts--it still does not explain Salathiel's presence in the George I. Marsh household. The following are suppositions.

1. Margaret Bonnet could have been married to a Hardman--widowed, then married George I Marsh, and that Salathiel was a son of that marriage. Margaret Bonnet, George's wife, was born in 1811 and was 2 years older than George. She would have been of marriageable age (over 17) in 1828 and the period of 1828-1833 (6 years) would have been the period such a marriage could have occurred. There is no marriage (Hardman-Margaret Bonnett) in Lewis County or Harrison County and that leaves the development of this possibility at an impasse. I recognize that not all marriages got recorded and this could be the case here.
2. Another possibility is that both the parents of Salathiel died and he as an orphan was taken to be raised by the Marsh's. While it sounds good from a practical point of view, it would have been more likely that other Hardmans in the area would have assumed responsibility of raising a Hardman child than strangers.
3. In Vol. II-2, p. 55 (Jan 1984) HCJ a "Samuel B. Hardman (1805-1891) married (1) Margaret Bonnet and (2) Mrs.

M.F. Shurtoff in Illinois." I have not been able to tie a Margaret Bonnett to this Hardman. It is possible that the Margaret Bonnett married to George I Marsh could have married Hardman and then divorced him and retained the child. Salathiel B. and Samuel B. might be more than a coincidence."

EDITOR'S QUESTION: Could Salathiel have been a son of the elusive daughter of Spencer Marsh and thus a nephew of George I. Marsh??? Any question and ANSWERS to any of the statements in this article should be directed to Bill Marsh or Jim Strong.



### Miller Cemetery

The Miller Cemetery is located 2.1 miles east of Horner, Lewis County, W.Va. along US Routes 33 and 119, upon a bank above a roadside rest area and across the highway from the Valley Chapel Church. Access may be made by a path from the rest area or by driving about 0.2 miles further to a road entrance on the left near a sawmill. The cemetery is well fenced and regularly mowed. Inscriptions copied 28 June 1988 by Hartzel G. STRADER.

#### Row 1

RAMSBURG, Irena b. 19 Feb 1833, d. 13 Dec 1912 w/o W.P.  
Florent B. b. 1868, d. 1941  
Tomas Israel b. 1857, d. 1932  
Stephen Francis b. 1859, d. 1901  
William P. b. 1832, d. 1921  
Marcellas C. b. 1861, d. 1942  
William Calvin b. 1864, d. 1944  
Sarah Olevia b. 1873, d. 1950  
COBURN, Alta Clark b. 1882, d. 1956  
STALNAKER, Eva M. b. 5 Oct 1876, d. 18 Sep 1967  
MILLER, James W. b. 1827, d. 1915  
Martha J. b. 1838, d. 1921 his wife  
MILLER, Treassie Ruth b. 1885, d. 1887  
BURNS, Mrs. Alta b. 1882, d. 1956  
ALKIRE, John Oliver d. 27 Jan 1897 aged 78y5m6d  
Elizabeth Miller d. 21 Feb 1901 aged 70y4m17d  
TAYLOR, Albert A. b. 1844, d. 1916  
Caroline A. b. 1839, d. 1918 his wife  
Noah W. d. 2 Feb 1892 aged 22y6m12d s/o Albert  
HINZMAN, John W. b. 1869, d. 1950  
Nancy B. b. 1874, d. 1936  
HINZMAN, Fairley A. d. 23 Oct 1895 s/o J.W.&N.B.  
MARPLE, Homer G. b. 1891, d. 1962  
Audie T. b. 1895, d. 1984  
BURROUGHS, Wm. Claude b. 1891, d. 1948  
Marguerite b. 1895, d. 1962  
HEFNER, Lewis b. 1933 married 1960  
Louise b. 1931, d. 1985

#### Row 2

LINGER, John L. b. 1880, d. 1961  
Ola b. 1883, d. 1966  
SNOW, James Henry b. 1872, d. 1953  
SNOW, William L. b. 1856, d. 1933  
Abram b. 1870, d. 1956  
Kiola Patterson b. 1883, d. 19--  
Laton E. b. 1831, d. 1910  
Charity b. 1833, d. 1896  
Ruhema J. b. 1860, d. 1924  
BURR, Charles W. b. 1876, d. 1949  
Bessie L. b. 1887, d. 1961  
BURR, William T. b. 19 Aug 1868, d. 18 Dec 1955 Mech 23 Coast  
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BURR, John M. b. 9 Jan 1872, d. 16 Dec 1902 s/o CM&amp;IA

KIDD, infants of GW&amp;CA

1st b. 1891, d. 1891

2nd b. 1892, d. 1893

3rd b. 1894, d. 1894

KIDD, G.W. b. 1865, d. 1933

Clara A. b. 1868, d. 1916 his wife

Row 3

WINEMILLER, Hubert d. 20 Sep 1901 s/o JW&amp;MM

WINEMILLER, Margie d. 6 Nov 1904 aged 3 days d/o JW&amp;M

WINEMILLER, John W. b. 1874, d. 1968

Maude b. 1878, d. 1939

DAVIS, Simeon b. 1883, d. 1947

Myrtle b. 1884, d. 1956

Clinton b. 1910, d. 1916

Geneva b. 1912, d. 1927

CLARK, Hoy M. b. 1849, d. 1910

Caroline b. 1853, d. 1894

Annie b. 1875, d. 1895

Clay b. 1889, d. 1896

Addie b. 1880, d. 1897

LINGER, Henry b. 11 Jan 1839, d. 1916

Sarah E. b. 26 Dec 1847, d. 1 June 1896 his wife

LINGER, Lillie Pearl b. 24 Oct 1891, d. 19 Sep 1911

LINGER, Preston b. 1888, d. 1957

Edith B. b. 1893, d. 1971

LINGER, Dortha Lea b. 1931, d. 1980

BURR, Audrey b. 14 Aug 1907, d. 5 Mar 1908 s/o AA&amp;L

QUEEN, Flora E. b. 8 Apr 1869, d. 12 Jul 1948

QUEEN, Lucy A. b. 10 Aug 1874, d. 25 Jul 1938

QUEEN, Elias B. b. 12 Aug 1868, d. 28 June 1912

QUEEN, Lewis E. b. 10 Nov 1870, d. 7 Aug 1900

QUEEN, Lewis Edward b. 16 Apr 1891, d. 24 Apr 1962

QUEEN, Roxie b. 31 Oct 1899, d. 11 Jul 1933

Row 4

SPAUR, Flavius W. b. 7 Mar 1856, d. 5 Jan 1948

SPAUR, Polly b. June 1852, d. 20 Oct 1916 w/o F.W.

BURR, James H. b. 1949, d. 1949 s/o Herb &amp; Icie

BURR, Forrest L. b. 31 Jul 1910, d. 8 Aug 1910

BURR, Frank L. b. 1880, d. 1947

Nancy M. b. 1885, d. 1981

BURR, Cyrus R. b. 24 Jan 1913, d. 26 Aug 1944 Pfc 10 Inf Div. WWa  
WW II

BURR, Kenny L. b. 5 Oct 1905, d. 19 Nov 1981 TEC5 US Army WW II

HENLINE, Tressie E. b. 1894, d. 1978

SMITH, Claude d. 7 Feb 1920 Pvt 107 Camp Hosp.

BURROUGH, Rachel G. b. 29 Sep 1840, d. 29 June 1894 w/o D.H.

BURROUGH, David H. b. 1842, d. 1929

BURROUGH, George E. b. 18 Mar 1871, d. 2 Jan 1914 s/o DH&amp;RG

REEDER, Cheater F. b. 1873, d. 1955

Elizabeth F. b. 1879, d. 1934

## Miller Cemetery continued

HUDSON, Ralph B. b. 1900, d. 1927

WINEMILLER, Florence W. b. 6 Mar 1878, d. 25 Apr 1908

Row 5

HENLINE, Marshall W. b. 1872, d. 1950

HENLINE, Emma I. b. 1879, d. 1959

HENLINE, Andrew J. b. 1839, d. 1919

HENLINE, Stedkira b. 12 Apr 1841, d. 12 Oct 1909 w/o A.J.

HENLINE, L.B. b. 1882, d. 1908

HENLINE, Charlie b. 1876, d. 1963

Vesta b. 1889, d. 19--

Dale b. 1934, d. 1958

HENLINE, Aldace Cleet b. 1910, d. 1986 Pfc US Army

SWISHER, Lindsay Stokes b. 1895, d. 1960

McWHORTER, Rebecca Ann b. 28 Jan 1843, d. 29 Mar 1920 w/o S.

SWISHER, Ashford E. b. 14 Mar 1848, d. 29 Dec 1912

SWISHER, Harry F. b. 1889, d. 1910 s/o J.P. &amp; A.J.

STALNAKER, French L. b. 21 May 1894, d. 3 Apr 1967 Pvt Co. D 103

MG Bn W.Va. WW II

SMITH, Odes b. 1914, d. 1914 s/o G. M. &amp; Vena

ATKINSON, Hazel G. b. 1912, d. 1958 Mother

BEESON, Nellie V. b. 1917, d. 1918

BEESON, Helen R. b. 1927, d. 1928

WAGNER, Steven Ray b. 1952, d. 1952

LINGER, Fred b. 1904, d. 1960

Row 6

STALNAKER, Aimee Renee d. 1981

Amanda Marie d. 1981

LANTZ, Floyd S. b. 3 Mar 1915, d. 16 Dec 1967

Zeta M. b. 3 Mar 1915

LINGER, French b. 1900, d. 1967

Ressie b. 1913, d. 1986

BEESON, Kathern N. b. 1929, d. 1929

BEESON, Harry S. b. 1892, d. 1972

Azzlea b. 1898, d. 1966

STALNAKER, French L. b. 1894, d. 1967

Laura F. b. 1903, d. 1974

FLAHERTY, Michael J. b. 1864, d. 1953

Maud K. b. 1877, d. 1953

KIDD, A.J. b. 1837, d. 1933

Louisa A. b. 1848, d. 1913 his wife

HARLESS, Porter b. 1880, d. 1953

Lucinda b. 1881, d. 1969

Lydia b. 1840, d. 1927

TAYLOR, Sarah F. b. 1857, d. 1925 Mother

HENLINE, Alice b. 1870, d. 1935

Row 7

ZICKEFOOSE, Henry d. 4 Feb 1959 aged 70y10m20d

PETERSON, Ancil T. b. 1905, d. 19--

Nellie T. b. 1907, d. 1975

WAGGONER, Harvey W. b. 14 Nov 1892, d. 21 Jun 1952 Pvt 7 Engr,

## Miller Cemetery continued

W.Va. Training Regt., WW I  
TAYLOR, Hayward A. b. 1896, d. 1965  
Okareda Kee b. 1895, d. 1944 w/o H.A.  
Sandy H. b. 1864, d. 1928 Father  
Helen G. b. 1872, d. 1950 Mother  
Infant son d. 23 May 1914 s/o S.H. & Helen  
MOSS, T.C. b. 1859, d. 1926  
Cecilia b. 1862, d. 1919 w/o T.C.  
Otes Glen b. 1902, d. 1920  
MARSH, John b. 1900, d. 1939  
SKINNER, Luther T. b. 1896, d. 1968  
Vesta M. b. 1899, d. 1977

Row 8

SMITH, Bertha F. b. 1878, d. 1952  
William R. b. 1871, d. 1951  
Joseph P. b. 1910, d. 1951  
SMITH, Raymond b. 1901, d. 1962  
Mary G. b. 1901, d. 19--  
SMITH, Helen J. b. 1928, d. 1928  
Betty J. b. 1930, d. 1930  
McWHORTER, Ray W. b. 1884, d. 1956  
Iva F. b. 1885, d. 1969  
McWHORTER, W.G. b. 1841, d. 1923  
Margaret M. b. 1846, d. 1939 his wife  
WAGGONER, S. Joan b. 20 Jun 1926, d. 26 Apr 1984  
WAGGONER, Harvey W. b. 1892, d. 1952 WW I  
Erma A. b. 1899, d. 1975  
TAYLOR, James Harold b. 11 JUN 1920, d. 11 Jun 1920 s/o H.V.&E.P.  
TAYLOR, Emma P. b. 1891, d. 1921 w/o H.V.  
TAYLOR, Goff b. 1887, d. 1977  
Madge C. b. 1892, d. 1987  
E.P.T. no date  
J.H.T. no date  
HENLINE, Asa Webb b. 1866, d. 1959  
Icy May b. 1875, d. 1963  
ROGERS, Gary b. 1934, d. 1947

Row 9

HARRIS, Robert J. b. 1928, d. 1928  
Clara Va. b. 1930, d. 1930  
Rhoda M. b. 1905, d. 1976 Mother  
VANDEVANDER, Halli Eiris b. 1922, d. 1982  
ABLES, Charles b. 1878, d. 1950  
CUTRIGHT, Malon b. 1876, d. 1959  
Nola A. b. 1875, d. 19--  
CAINES, Sandy H. b. 3 May 1887, d. 22 Nov 1965  
Myrtle N. b. 21 Apr 1899, d. 16 May 1962  
CAINES, Betty Loe b. 1930, d. 1939 d/o S.H. & M.N.  
CAINES, infant b. 2 Oct 1962 s/o W.S. & Ethel  
CAINES, Richard M. b. 25 Dec 1863, d. 27 Feb 1938  
Martha A. b. 21 Jul 1867, d. 13 Jul 1943  
TAYLOR, I.O. b. 1871, d. 1925

## Miller Cemetery continued

Sadie V. b. 1878, d. 1963 his wife  
STRADER, Willey H. b. 1874, d. 1929  
Mary E. b. 1878, d. 1935  
PUGH, Robert C. b. 1901, d. 1979  
Garnett S. b. 1910, d. 1983  
LINGER, Wade b. 1886, d. 1959  
LINGER, Evelyn Rose b. 1922, d. 1926 d/o M.S.&Z.  
LINGER, Edgar H. b. 1915, d. 1953  
Ialene M. b. 1927, d. 19--  
SWISHER, Blaine b. 1884, d. 1959  
Cesa Mae b. 3 Aug 1896, d. 7 Mar 1971  
HARRISON, Johnny b. 1946  
HARRISON, Charles T. b. 1912,  
E. Opal b. 1917, d. 1983

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KING, Michael E. b. 1882, d. 1941  
Alice C. b. 1881, d. 1950  
KING, Mary E. d. 27 Jan 1889 aged 39y w/o J.R.  
KING, John R. Co. B. 25 Va. Inf CSA  
WAGGY, Margaret d. 21 Apr 1874 in her 62 yr. w/o Jacob  
KING, Cyrus Co. B. 25 Va. Inf. CSA  
KING, L. Arlene b. 1914, d. 1934

Row 5

SHOULDIS, Judith A. b. 9 Nov 1860, d. 16 Mar 1952  
LINGER, Charles L. b. 1869, d. 1953  
Mary E. b. 1864, d. 1939 his wife  
SWECKER, Manly Co. B. 15 W.Va. Inf.  
SWECKER, Mary Ward b. 1843, d. 1927  
SWECKER, Ollie V. d. 8 Oct 1874 aged 6y6m21d, d/o Manly & M.  
SWECKER, Hannah b. 2 Nov 1807, d. 16 Aug 1894 w/o G.  
SWECKER, Christian d. 24 Dec 1867 in his 56 yr.  
HOUSE, Elizabeth b. 4 Dec 1821, d. 19 Dec 1873  
HOUSE, Isaac b. 22 Jul 1809, d. 1 May 1886  
HOUSE, Charles b. 21 Dec 1866, d. 3 Feb 1928  
LINGER, Flodie b. 18 Dec 1891, d. 1 Feb 1903 d/o C.L. & Mary E.  
LINGER, Argyl b. 30 Apr 1902, d. 2 May 1902 s/o C.L. & Mary E.  
LINGER, M. Luther b. 12 Oct 1908, d. 27 Sep 1910 s/o C.L. & Mary E.

Row 6

SWECKER, Margaret d. 28 Mar 1868 in her 31 yr., d/o C.&A.M.  
SWECKER, infant d. 7 Nov 1850 aged 18d, s/o C.&A.M.  
SWECKER, Samuel s/o C.&A.M., wounded at Droop Mountain 5 Nov  
1863, died 23 Nov 1863, aged 24y2m22d

Row 7

MULLINAX, Geo. N. b. 18 Sep 1838, d. 25 Mar 1873  
COOK, Margaret A. b. 13 May 1813, d. 2 Jan 1902  
MATTHEWS, Clarence A. b. 1891, d. 1913  
MATTHEWS, James L. b. 1862, d. 19--  
Idella b. 1871, d. 1940

**Swecker Cemetery**

This cemetery is located on Right Fork Run, Lewis County, W.Va., formerly the right fork of Canoe Run before the building of Stonewall Jackson Dam. It's location may be reached from Interstate 79 by travelling 1.8 miles south on US Route 19 to the entrance of the Right Fork Road on the right. The distance up this road is 0.9 miles to the cemetery on the right upon a hill near the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James A. WATSON, who are the owners of the property surrounding the cemetery. Inscriptions copied 14 Feb 1988 by Hartzel G. STRADER.

**Row 1**

ALLMAN, Artha b. 18 May 1900, d. 27 Aug 1948  
ALLMAN, Wade H. b. 1877, d. 1941  
    Ida R., b. 1877, d. 19--  
ALLMAN, George b. 7 Jun 1885, d. 19 Dec 1954  
SWECKER, Edward M. b. 24 Oct 1869, d. 14 Aug 1909  
    Ida b. 24 Mar 1865, d. 23 Dec 1956  
ALLMAN, Virginia L. b. 18 Nov 1840, d. 11 Jan 1913 w/o Geo. W.  
ALLMAN, George b. 1839, d. Feb 1905  
SWECKER, Dora b. 28 Jan 1911, d. 21 Feb 1911 d/o J.E. & N.C.  
SWECKER, infant b&d 23 Jan 1909 s/o J.E. & N.C.  
SWECKER, John E. b. 1872, d. 1961  
    Nettie C. b. 1874, d. 1937  
SWECKER, Shobe G. b. 1896, d. 1969

**Row 2**

WEAVER, Archie B. b. 7 Oct 1903, d. 4 Mar 1920  
WEAVER, Lafayette W. b. 1868, d. 1944  
    Rachel B. b. 1867, d. 1930  
GROGG, John A. b. 1838, d. 1913  
    Sarah A. his wife b. 1837, d. 1900

**Row 3**

MULLINAX, Samuel B. Co. D, W.Va. Inf.  
MULLINAX, Adaline M. b. 20 Jan 1845, d. 27 Aug 1876 w/o Samuel B.  
MULLINAX, Martha A. b. 3 Apr 1876, d. 19 Jan 1877 d/o SB&AM  
SIMONS, Adam H. b. 20 Dec 1846, d. 10 Jun 1901  
SIMMONS, Mary V. b. 2 Jun 1850, d. 7 Dec 1890 w/o A.H.  
BOYLEN, Rev. James I. d. 23 Jun 1895 aged 29y4m18d  
MEEKS, Granville L. b. 1862, d. 19--  
    Mary P. b. 1838, d. 1916  
    Lillian b. 1865, d. 19--  
Ball, William A. b. 28 Sep 1852, d. 16 Mar 1935  
    Matilda b. 23 Mar 1858, d. 24 Nov 1938

**Row 4**

JOHNSON, Bernard b. 1904, d. 1956  
COOK, Geo. J. b. 25 Sep 1864, d. 4 Aug 1911  
COOK, Eliza b. 10 Jun 1830, d. 6 Oct 1903  
COOK, George b. 2 Jun 1826, d. 23 Aug 1900  
HAMMER, Cora A. b. 20 Nov 1851, d. 18 Apr 1898 w/o Albert  
COOK, Annie E. b. 4 Jul 1858, d. 30 Mar 1894 d/o Geo. & Eliza  
    Elizabeth J. b. 18 Jul 1850, d. 17 Feb 1878 d/o Geo. & Eliza



## MURAL AT I-79 TRUCK-STOP RESTAURANT

Last spring, David Hughes owner of the I-79 Truck Stop and Restaurant, asked me if I had any old pictures of sites on the Hacker's Creek area that would be good to put on a mural that he was planning to have painted for the wall of the restaurant. I told him that I had plenty so he asked me to contact Charlotte Gerlach and help her with the project. I contacted Charlotte in Lost Creek and took her on a tour of Hacker's Creek to take pictures of places of interest and get her familiar with the area. She then started on the painting and Ruth and I went to her house several times to help lay-out the sites on the canvas. The mural is 6½ ft. x 18 ft. and is now about 95% complete. As can be seen in the picture, it is something to behold. A beautiful work that includes many sites on Hacker's Creek familiar to H.C.P.D. members. Included on the canvas are; the Hinzeman Log House on Bloody Run, Waggoner Log House on Clay Lick, Lost Creek Library, Oil Derrick at Copely, Harmony Methodist Church and Cemetery, John Hacker's Log House, Henry R. Smith's Log Cabin at Roanoke, Mary Conrad Log Cabin at Stonewall Jackson Lake Rec. Area, Covered Bridge at Walkersville, Lewis Bennett Library, Lewis County Court House, Keith & Barbara McCarty's Log House, Broad Run Baptist Church, Gen. Lightburns Home, Jacksons Mill, the McWhorter Cabin, Stonewall Jackson Dam and many others. It will soon be placed on the restaurant wall and we plan to have the news media and television coverage for the dedication.

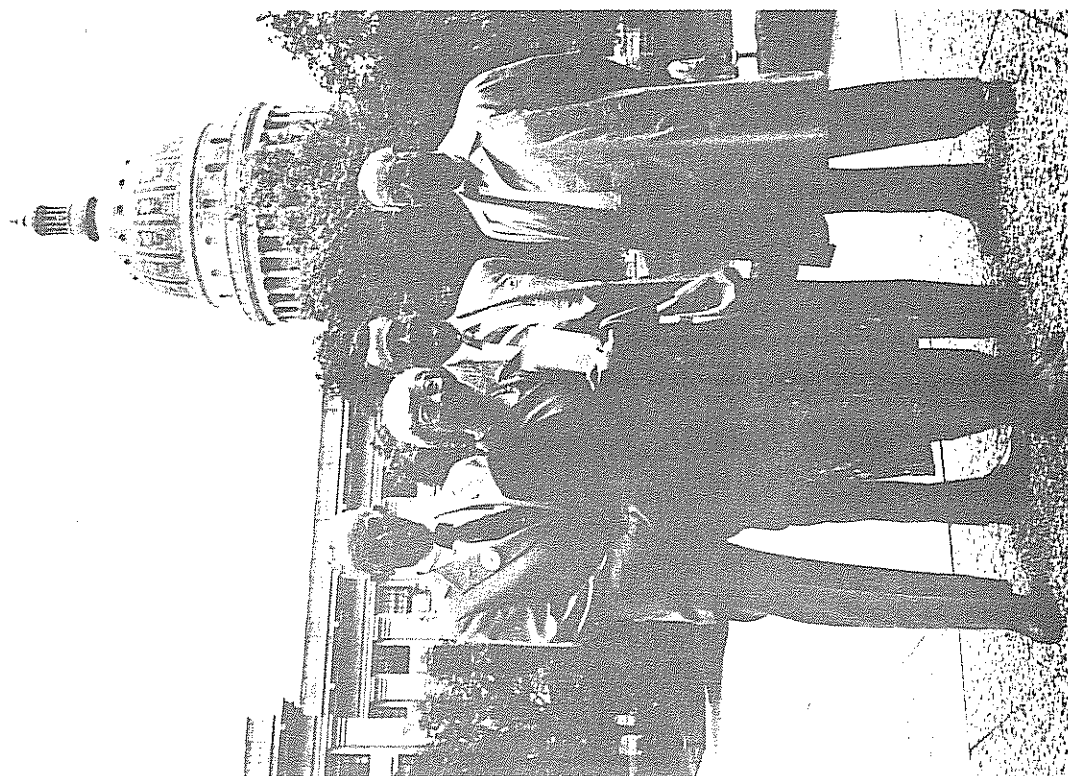
Robert B. Smith



Charlotte Gerlach at work on the mural. This was in late November and it was about 75% complete. Photo by Bob Smith



Left to right - Jim Sims, Raydine Teicheira, Joy Gilchrist, Maurice Allman, Bill Hayes, Barbara McCartney. Bob Smith took the picture. October Executive Meeting at Parkersburg, W.V.



Left to Right- Bob Smith, Raydine Teicheira, Maurice Allman, Bill Adler at the Cultural Center in Charleston to attend a seminar.

LEWIS COUNTY MARRIAGE BONDS YEAR 1828

~~October the 1828~~  
 Lewis County Virginia October the 1828  
 James [unclear] is married to Sarah Biddle  
 by publication of banns  
 October the 1828  
 John Biddle is married to Sarah [unclear]  
 November the 1828  
 Isaac Bender is married to Rebecca [unclear]  
 By publication of banns  
 John [unclear] is ordained an Elder of  
 the Christian Church Presiding  
 My license from the County Court  
 of Lewis

Here's a sample of the documents we copied at the Court House. There are about 1,900 pages with approx. 7,000 names to be indexed. Howard Bonnett called and will help set up an index system. This was a big task but I am sure that it was worth the time and trouble. Thanks to Bud & Jean Allman, Maurice Allman, Irma Curtis, Raydine Teicheira and Bill Smith the records were copied from 1816 thru 1865. A job well done guys.

Robert B. Smith

## MOST WANTED BOOKS

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Suite 103  
Bowie, MD 20716

VIRGINIANS & WEST VIRGINIANS, 1607-1870 by Patrick G. Wardell  
Vol. 1 - \$25.00 Vol. 2 - \$30.00

GENEALOGICAL AND PERSONAL HISTORY OF THE UPPER MONONGAHELA VALLEY,  
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Doddridge \$20.00

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DISTRICT OF WEST AUGUSTA, AND OHIO AND YOHOGANIA COUNTIES, VIRGINIA,  
1775-1780 - Boyd Crumrine \$28.50

HISTORICAL REGISTER OF VIRGINIANS IN THE REVOLUTION: SOLDIER, S  
SAILORS, MARINES, 1775-1783 by John H. Swathmey \$35.00

From: Wes Cochran  
2515 10th Avenue  
Parkersburg, WV 26101-5829

Any of the books not underlined on the adjacent page. Books  
underlined are already a part of the HCPD Library.

From: James and Law  
Main Street  
Clarksburg, WV

THE MONONGALIA STORY by Earl L. Core - All volumes. Published by  
McClain Printing Co. Prices not known.

HISTORY OF HARRISON COUNTY by Dorothy Upton Davis. Price unknown.

WANTED BUT SOURCE FOR PURCHASE UNKNOWN

From: Genealogical Books in Print  
6818 Lois Drive  
Springfield, VA 22150

Most Wanted List - cont.

THE 1787 CENSUS OF VIRGINIA compiled by Netti Schreiner-Yantis and  
Florene Speakman Love                Three Volumes                \$206.00  
(May pledge a portion of this.)

From: Frontier Press  
15 Quintana Dr, #988  
Galveston, TX 77554

WAR OF 1812:	VIRGINIA BOUNTY LAND AND PENSION APPLICANTS by Patrick G. Wardell	\$17.50
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INDEX TO THE 1810 CENSUS OF VIRGINIA by Elizabeth P. Bentley \$30.00

INDEX TO THE 1820 CENSUS OF VIRGINIA by Jeanne R. Felldin	\$30.00
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From: James and Law  
Main Street  
Clarksburg, WV

HISTORY OF HARRISON COUNTY by Dorothy Upton Davis. Price unknown.

THE MONONGALIA STORY by Earl L. Core - Printed by McClain Publishing Co. All volumes. Price unknown.

From: West Virginia University Book Store  
Morgantown, WV

WEST VIRGINIA HISTORY, A Bibliography and Guide to Research - by  
Harold Forbes \$10.00

From: Kanawha Valley Genealogical Society  
PO Box 8765  
South Charleston, WV 25303

A HANDBOOK FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH IN WEST VIRGINIA by Helen S. Stinson. \$10.00 (?)

Source unknown - probably out of print. If you can find these, we'd love to have them for our collection.

CHRONICLES OF BORDER WARFARE by Alexander Scott Withers. Original or reprint. Price unknown.

Most Wanted List - cont.

BORDER SETTLERS OF NORTHWESTERN VIRGINIA by Lucillus McWhorter

NOTE: Suggestions for additions to the MOST WANTED LIST are welcome.

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Barbour Co Marriages 1843-1892	11.00	Marshall Co Marriages 1835-1889	11.00
1850 Census of Barbour County	7.00	<u>MASON COUNTY:</u> (formed 1804 from Kanawha Co)	
1860 Census of Barbour County	8.00	1870 Census of Mason County	13.00
<u>BRAXTON COUNTY:</u> (formed 1836 from Lewis, Kanawha and Nicholas Counties)		<u>MONONGALIA COUNTY:</u> (formed 1776 from District of West Augusta)	
Braxton Co Marriages 1836-1875	6.00	1860 Census of Monongalia County	10.00
1850 Census of Braxton County	5.00	1870 Census of Monongalia County	11.00
1860 Census of Braxton County	5.00	<u>PLEASANTS COUNTY:</u> (formed 1851 from Wood, Ritchie and Tyler Counties)	
1870 Census of Braxton County	6.00	Pleasants Co Marriages 1853-1899	9.00
<u>CALHOUN COUNTY:</u> (formed 1856 from Gilmer Co)		1860 Census of Pleasants County	5.00
1870 Census of Calhoun County	5.00	1870 Census of Pleasants County	5.00
Index to Calhoun Co Cemetery Book	5.00	<u>POCOHONTAS COUNTY:</u> (formed 1821 from Bath County, Virginia)	
<u>DODDRIDGE COUNTY:</u> (formed 1845 from Harrison, Tyler, Ritchie and Lewis Counties)		1850 Census of Pocohontas County	5.00
Doddridge Co Marriages 1845-1889	8.00	<u>PRESTON COUNTY:</u> (formed 1818 from Monongalia County)	
1850 Census of Doddridge County	5.00	1850 Census of Preston County	8.00
1860 Census of Doddridge County	6.00	<u>RANDOLPH COUNTY:</u> (formed 1787 from Harrison County)	
1870 Census of Doddridge County	6.00	1850 Census of Randolph County	5.00
<u>GILMER COUNTY:</u> (formed 1845 from Lewis and Kanawha Counties)		1860 Census of Randolph County	5.00
Gilmer Co Marriages 1845-1933 (ready soon)		<u>RITCHIE COUNTY:</u> (formed 1843 from Wood, Lewis and Harrison Counties)	
1850 Census of Gilmer County	5.00	Ritchie County Marriages 1843-1915	13.00
1860 Census of Gilmer County	5.00	1850 Census of Ritchie County	5.00
1870 Census of Gilmer County	5.00	1860 Census of Ritchie County	8.00
<u>HAMPSHIRE COUNTY:</u> (formed 1753 from Frederick Co, Virginia)		1870 Census of Ritchie County	8.00
1850 Census of Hampshire County	8.00	Index to M K Lowther's History	6.00
<u>HARDY COUNTY:</u> (formed 1785 from Hampshire Co)		Hist of Grant Dist & Cairo High Schs.	6.00
1850 Census of Hardy County	7.00	<u>ROANE COUNTY:</u> (formed 1856 from Kanawha, Jackson and Gilmer counties)	
<u>HARRISON COUNTY:</u> (formed 1784 from Monongalia County)		Roane C Marriages 1856-1919	15.00
Harrison Co Marriages 1785-1894	17.00		
1850 Census of Harrison County	8.00		
1860 Census of Harrison County	10.00		

<u>JACKSON COUNTY:</u> (formed 1831 from Kanawha, Mason and Wood Counties)		<u>TAYLOR COUNTY:</u> (formed 1844 from Barbour, Harrison, Marion and Preston Counties)	
Jackson Co Marriages 1831-1879	11.00	Taylor County Marriages 1853-1905	13.00
Jackson Co Marriages 1880-1900	11.00	1850 Census of Taylor County	6.00
Grant District Cemetery Inscriptions	13.00	<u>UPSHUR COUNTY:</u> (formed 1851 from Lewis, Randolph and Barbour Counties)	
1900 Census of Grant District	16.00	1870 Census of Upshur County	8.00
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<u>LEWIS COUNTY:</u> (formed 1816 from Harrison Co)		<u>WIRT COUNTY:</u> (formed 1848 from Jackson and Wood Counties)	
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1860 Census of Lewis County	7.00	1850 Census of Wirt County	5.00
1870 Census of Lewis County	8.00	1860 Census of Wirt County	5.00
<u>MARION COUNTY:</u> (formed 1842 from Harrison and Monongalia Counties)		1870 Census of Wirt County	5.00
Marion Co Marriages 1842-1899	14.00	1900 Census of Wirt County	12.00
		1910 Census of Wirt County	18.00

## CEMETERY FUND

We're still accepting donations for the upkeep Morrison Cemetery, Smith's Run Cemetery, and the recently discovered Cozad Cemetery. Send donations to Cemetery Fund, %HCPD, PO Box 37, Jane Lew, WV 26378

## ANCESTOR BOOK, VOL. III

Missed out on Volume I and II of Ancestor Charts of Early Lewis, Harrison and Upshur County families???? Now's your chance for Volume III.

It takes about a year to gather enough charts, index, type and publish an ancestor chart book. We'd like to have Volume III ready for the 1989 gathering.

Send ancestor charts, with permission to publish (typed and signed on the bottom of each chart) and a separate index card for each and every name on each chart to: Joy Gilchrist, 319 Center St., Coshocton, OH 43812. PLEASE, remember to send the index cards.

## WILSON QUERY ANSWERED

Submitted by our anonymous friend

HCJ Vol. VI, Issue 2, page 119, had a query from Mary E. Goodwin, Box 12111 Seminary P.O., Alexandria, VA 22034. Ms Goodwin was seeking information on the family of Isaac Wilson (1792-1850) and wife Mary (McAvoy) Wilson (1801-?). Our friend found the following information in Oren F. Morton's HISTORY OF HIGHLAND CO, W. V, pages 348-349.

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Generation 1: Samuel Wilson, b ca 1730, k. 1774, wife Mary A.

Generation 2: Children of Samuel and Mary A.: (1) Ralph; (2) Elibab b 1756, d 1846, m. Hannaah Henpenstall; (3) Samson; and (4) Ruth

Generation 3: Children of Elibab: (1) Mary m. John Armstrong, 1812; (2) Samuel m. Jane Armstrong 1819, d 1834; (3) Elizabeth m. George Wilson; (4) John; (5) Abraham; (6) William; (7) Ruth m. Isaac Seybert, 1822; (8) Hannah m. ? Joseph Malcomb, 1821; (9) Jane

Generation 4: Children of Samuel and wife, Jane Armstrong: (1) Hannah m. Wailliam Kinkead; (2) Ruth m. Benjamin F. Jackson; (3) Hamilton; (4) Samuel m. Jane Davis; (5) Harrison remained single.

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Generation 1: William Wilson, brother to Samuel, wife was named Mary. Died in 1813.

Generation 2: William's children: (1) James m. first Elizabeth Hempenstall and second Amanda ----, d 1810; (2) Samuel; (3) Robert; (4) Jane; (5) Mary; (6) Elizabeth (1752-1808) m. William Blagg; (7) Priscilla m. William Smith 1798.

Generation 3: Children of James by first marriage to Elizabeth Hempenstall: (1) William I, b 1767 (?) m. first Mary Welch 1805 and second Margaret J. Malcomb Curry Edmond in 1842. James' children by second marriage to Amanda: (2) Elizabeth m. \_\_\_\_\_ Adams; (3) Martha m. Jared Armstrong 1820; (4) Eleanor m. James Armstrong; (5) Ralph m. first Elizabeth Welch and married a second time in W. Va.; (6) Isaac m. Mary McAvoy Bath and may have moved to Indiana; (7) James m. Sarah Smallridge; (8) George m. Magdalenn Hiner in 1825 and moved to Indiana; (9) Samuel, b 1802, m. Esther Blagg; (10) Eli H. m. Naome Blagg in 1829; and (11) Martha.

Further information on this family may be found in the Highland County History.



## WHO ARE THEY????????

I'm hoping someone can help me identify the people in these pictures that were among my mother-in-law's things after her death. I believe they are individuals from the Upshur/Lewis Co. areas (probably around Buckhannon) as that is where my mother-in-law (Bernice Snyder, d/o Charles Meflin Snyder and Sophia (Burgoyne) Cutright) lived prior to coming to Oklahoma in the early 1900's. Glenda Eisenhower, Route 14, Box 164, Moore, OK 73165



Photo taken at Forman's Studio, Buckhannon.  
Notation on back: "Gave to Ida."  
May Heck from W. VA.



Names on back: Hue, Bertha & Fred Peke

## Q U E R I E S

1. Seek info on par. of James J. WILLIAMS, b. c 1823, VA, m. Sarah M. BRAGG, b. c 1846, VA. Listed in 1870 Braxton Co. census? Was she d/o Jesse & Ida BRAGG, also in 1870 Braxton Co. census? My grandfather, Thomas Hugh WILLIAMS, s/o James J., was b. 1869, Braxton Co., m. Rosetta WRIGHT, b. 9 Sep 1871. My grandmother, Rosetta, was d/o Basil B. WRIGHT, b. 28 Nov 1833 and served in Civil War. m. Jane REYNOLDS, b. 4 Jul 1839, d/o William REYNOLDS, b. c 1812 VA, and Mary King WOLFE, b c 1813 in VA. William REYNOLDS was s/o Reuben REYNOLDS, b. Botetourt Co., VA. Other children of Reuben were Ben, Thomas, and a daughter name unknown. Mary King WOLFE was d/o Jonathan H. WOLFE, b. c 1789, listed in 1860 Jackson Co. census, age 71, m. Bridget RUNYAN, who may be d/o Henry RUNYAN, who came to Spencer, Roane Co, WV, ca 1813. Jonathan WOLFE and Bridget RUNYAN were among the first settlers in Roane Co. and lived in a cave with the Samuel TANNER family. Basil B. WRIGHT is s/o James WRIGHT and Jemima MACE, and I believe Basil WRIGHT, Sr., b c 1758, m. Nancy JONES, are the par. of James and grandfather of Basil B. WRIGHT. Basil WRIGHT Sr. is said to have served in Rev. War in Pittsburgh area, info found in John House history of early Roane Co. The name Basil, Bazzel, Bazil is found many times in the descendants of this WRIGHT family. Mildred WILLIAMS PRITCHARD, 13253 Greenbough Dr., St. Louis, MO 63146.
2. William JOHNSON, d 1795 Harrison Co. (W)VA. Wife and three children killed by Indians 1789. One daughter, Hannah JOHNSON, m. Patrick Mc CANN 1787. Need name of William's wife (Ruth?). Need date and place of birth and marriage for William. Harris K. JENSEN, 9019 Liptonshire Dr., Dallas, TX 75238.
3. Jesse M. TAYLOR, b ca 1809-1813, Philadelphia, PA. m. Jane BURR March 1839 Lewis Co., (W)V. Jesse d. 26 Jan, 1898 and bur. Broomstick Cemetery in Calhoun Co., WV. Need parents and siblings of Jesse (Jepe) and when and why they came from Philadelphia to (West) Virginia. Children of Jesse and Jane were: (1) Susannah, b 1842 Gilmer Co, m. Wiley H. TAYLOR 5-2-1860 Gilmer Co.; (2) Ruhama, b 1843 Gilmer Co., m. Hezekiah JOSEPH 1866; (3) Levi Johnson, b 1844 Gilmer Co., m. Sally TATE, d/o Hugh TATE and Elizabeth FITZ-RANDOLPH, and d. 2-8-1875 in Doddridge Co of smallpox. Levi was buried at night along with two others, grave

- unknown. Sally married again. (4) William Mc, b 1846 Gilmer Co., m Sarah KEMPER 11 Nov 1876; (5) James W., b 1847; (6) John M., b 1850; (7) Martha J., b 1850, prob. twin to John, m. Marcus RADER, 1-6-1871; (8) George W., b. 1852, m. Harriett Scharfer, 22-10-1870; (9) Rosilla, b. 1853; (10) Perry H., b 10-4-1855, in 1860 census is listed as Perry H., 1870 census as Commodore Perry, in 1880 his father lived with him; (11) Emily A., b 22-3-1857 Calhoun Co.; (12) 1860 census A. Olver 8/12, 1870 Arminda 10, I believe that it must have been Arminda Olivia and 1860 census a mistake. Lewis County marriages record Mary C. TAYLOR, d/o Jefe TAYLOR, b 1830, m. Semore BENNETT. Since Jane BURR TAYLOR b. 1821, this could not have been her daughter. Was Jesse M. married twice? If so, to whom? In Broomstick Cemetery is Jesse M. TAYLOR, J. TAYLOR, no dates, and two Taylor children also no dates. Who are these? Also seek parents and other info for Jane BURR. Any info greatly appreciated. Edna W. TAYLOR, 2222 Dividing Ridge Cem. Rd., Soddy-Daisy, TN 37379.
4. Seek researchers on Paulser BUTCHER and Henry FLESHER. Lucille M. WILSON, 2701 Clark Twrs Ct 167, Las Vegas, NV 89102.
  5. Request information on Henry FINK/Mary MAGDELINE family. Their dau. Hannah, b 1760 VA m. William ROBERTS 22 Mar 1787, Harrison Co, VA. William was my 4th g. grandfather. Would like to correspond with anyone researching COZAD line. William A. ROBERTS, 2341 Big Strike Trail, Cool, CA 95614. Ph. (916) 885-3329.
  6. Trying to locate death date and place of death of Lewis B. FLEMING ca 1860's. Lewis m. (1) Cynthia BAILEY and (2) Mary LAKE. Robert E. WILDERMUTH, 410 Eagle Circle, Casselberry, FL 32707.
  7. The name of Hacker's Junction appears on old Atlas maps of West Virginia but not on modern maps. Can anyone tell me where exactly it was located and, if renamed, what the new name is? Raymond A. HACKER, 10950 S. Albany, Chicago, IL 60655
  8. Need descendants of Job HUGHES and where he lived. He was s/o Thomas HUGHES Sr. and Mary Susannah BAKER. Need descendants of Debra HUGHES, d/o Jesse HUGHES and wife of Col. William BIBBEE. Where did they settle? Mason County? Joy Lavonne HUGHES JACOBY, 712 Flamingo DR Se., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301 PH (305) 522-6941.

9. Searching for parents of my grandfather, Robert I. MITCHELL, b 11 Dec 1840 Lewis Co, WV, d. 2 Mar 1919, Burnsville, Braxton Co, WV. He married 3 times: (1) Jemima SOMERS 24 Jan 1869 (2) my grandmother, Zaha Victoria (SNODGRASS) DUTY, widow of Thomas DUTY, 26 Oct 1857 in Ritchie Co (3 children) and (3) Florence Virginia (SNODGRASS) CUNNINGHAM, widow of George F. CUNNINGHAM, 31 Aug 1899. Ann L. BOYLE, 8150 E. Irlo Bronson Hwy., St. Cloud, FL 32769
10. Who were parents of Prudence BENNETT, b Clarksburg 7 Apr 1814? Prudence m. William HUTCHINSON 27 Sep 1832. William b. 25 Feb 1810 in Frost, OH, per Bible records but Virginia per census. Resided in Belpre, OH. Was marriage performed in Clarksburg? Who were William's parents? Carolyn Westberry, Rt 4 Box 278, Callahan, FL 32011.
11. Seek proof of relationship between Col. Francis HACKER (regicide) and our William HACKER, felon, "transported" to Virginia in 1731. Charles F. Rehkopf, 642 Clark Avenue, MO 63119.
12. Searching for death records of Elizabeth SPENCER or Susanna SPENCER, Harrison Co, (W) VA. Lucille Wilson, 2701 Clark Towers Ct., Las Vegas, NV 89102
13. Jemima JACKSON, of the Jane Lew Jacksons, m. John ARNOLD in 1792 in Harrison Co. John ARNOLD d. in 1811 with Simon G. ARNOLD and his wife Prudence visiting in his last illness. How were John and G. ARNOLD Sr. related? Who were their parents? Where did they come from? Where are Reger's Run, Gnatty Creek and Cedar Creek?  
  
My g.g. grandfather Jeremiah MC KOWN, came from Killarney, Ireland. We have been given "Ravenscraft" and Clarksburg as the area where he had 1500 acres of land, married Sarah TEEGARD, and had six children. Has anyone heard of them? Juanita G. BURTON, 691 Rojean Dr., Stanton, MI 48888 Ph. (517) 831-4315
14. Stephen CURTIS, b ca 1819, m. Josinah RINEHART, b. ca 1819/1820, on 26 Dec 1844. Their son, George Mifflin CURTIS, b. 25 Jan 1859/Berlin, m. Lula L. PARRACK, b 30 Apr 1863/Buckhannon. Seek parents of Stephen, Josinah and Lula. Virginia GOOD, PO Box 412, Devon, PA 19333.

15. Seeking info on LOVE family, lived in Harrison, Lewis, Barbour, and Upshur counties during 1800's. Connecting lines: CARNEY, COLERIDER, WESTFALL, ROHRBOUGH, REAGER, ARNOLD, QUEEN, BERRY, HYRE, STARKS, and NORMAN. Marlene JONES, 436 Wiley St., Fairmont, WV 26554.
16. Seeking info re desc. of Benjamin CONRAD m. to Barbara HEDERICK of Oil Creek, Braxton Co. Especially interested in their son, Jacob CONRAD. Also seek parents of William S. HAMILTON of Knowles Creek. Born 1863, Braxton Co. Barbara HAMILTON, 356 Center St., Bridgeport, WV 26330
17. Looking for parents, birth, marriage, death and burial info on Alexander S. SKINNER (ca 1807) -- also wife Phebe (ca 1815)-- parents of Mary Jane SKINNER, w/o David Newton GODFREY. Lived in the Orlando, Oil Creek, area of Lewis Co. Also need info on parents of John GODFREY (1795-1863) m. Jane CURTIS (1794-1881) on Feb 14, 1833. Buried in Mitchell Cemetery (Hwy 19/8) north of Roanoke. William A. MARSH, 100 Cynthia St., Rayne, LA 70578.
18. I'm in the process of trying to fill in the details on various members of the MARSH family. In the 1880 census of Lewis Co, Margaret (BONNETT) MARSH, wife of George I. MARSH, was living with son Flavius MARSH. Margaret d. Jan 1884; Flavius Jun 1884. Where are they buried? One would believe that they would have been buried in the Vandalia Cemetery with others of George I. Marsh's family, but they are missing from the Vandalia Cemetery readings. William A. MARSH, 100 Cynthia St., Rayne, LA 70578.
19. Caroline Virginia WILLIAMS SMITH was the recipient of the Civil War letter found elsewhere in this issue. Her husband was George C. SMITH. Their children: Bernard, Robert E. Lee, George C., Elizabeth Gay, and Charles B. Since they named one son "Robert E. Lee", one can assume that they were, in fact, Southern sympathizers. This son was born in 1862. George C. SMITH Sr. is not in the book, LEWIS COUNTY IN THE CIVIL WAR, by Roy Bird Cook. George Sr. and Caroline were both born in 1834, making George 26 when the war broke out - a fine age to be drafted. The only war record I find was a confederate who was 27 in 1865 -- age wrong by four years. Where was George during the war? Elizabeth Gay was born in 1865, so with two children conceived during the war, George wasn't too far from home. George Sr. was secretive about his death too. He is listed in the 1870 Lewis Co.

census as head of household. On the 1880 census, Caroline is listed as head of household. The Smith Bible has an entry for George C.'s death as "drowned out west 1882". Then, on the 1900 census he is there again, big as life, listed as head of household. On the 1910 census, Caroline is head of household and listed as a widow. Lewis Co. courthouse has no record of his death. There is a George C. Smith buried in the Smith Cemetery at Stone Coal. He died in 1893, but his birth is listed as Aug 1858. My George C. was born 31 Sep 1834, Lewis Co. Can anyone help solve my problems. Sandra COWELL, Rt 1, Bx 287, Vincent, OH 45784.

20. Seeking info on Solomon ALLEN, m. Elizabeth BRADY on 9 Jul 1820 in Lewis Co. One dau. Christiana, m (1) James M. WEST on 7 Sep 1843 in Lewis Co and (2) William HARRIS on 18 Jul 1858 in Lewis Co. Another dau., Mary, m. George W. CURTIS. I need Solomon ALLEN's place of birth and names of his parents. Marlene JONES 436 Wiley St., Fairmont, WV, 26554.
21. Need par. of Joshua MILLER, b 1796, m Nancy WOLFE, b 1803, d/o Jacob and Anna (STRALEY) WOLFE. Where and when did they marry? Joshua and Nancy MILLER are in 1840-50 census, Jackson Co, WV; 1860 Meigs Co, OH, census. Children: Louisa, Thomas, Jacob, Malissa, Sarah. First child, Elizabeth MILLER, b 1829, m 17 Apr 1849 Jackson Co, (W)V John O. ALKIRE. 1860 census, they were in Lewis Co; 1880 in Harrison Co. Second child, James W. MILLER, b 1827, m 4 Jul 1858 in Harrison Co., WV Martha J. McWhorter. 1860, 1870, 1880 census were in Lewis Co. Children: Lillian; Columbus L.C., Emma, Edith A., Wade H., and Eva M.

Also need parents of Charles PARSONS, b 1758, d 1789/1791, m. \_\_\_\_\_ WESTBROOK. He came from South Branch of Potomac. Known children: G. Anthony, b 1782, m 1807 Harrison Co Catharine MC CUNE; Joseph b 1783/Randolph Co m. 1804 in Harrison Co Elizabeth BUSH; a sister m Jacob SCHOOLCRAFT; James, Anthony and Joseph PARSONS settled in Calhoun County, now WV, ca 1818. They are in Lewis County by 1820. Mrs. Irvin GREATHOUSE, Rt 1, Box 119 A, Spencer, WV 25276

EDITOR'S NOTE: A couple of years ago I misplaced several sheets of queries. At long last they have surfaced. Sorry, Marjorie Herring, for misplacing them. Here they are!!

- 22[a] Mary CHRISLIP WILLET(T)S (WILLOTT)S m. to David WILLOTT. Name as shown in Harrison Co marriage records - 19 Jul 1802. Family appears in 1810 Harrison Co census with spelling WILLET, showing 2 imale children under 10 and one female child

under 10 together with David over 45 years and wife between 26-45. She was d/o Jacob Chrislip I and Nancy (SINGER) Chrislip. I would like to locate any desc. of Mary CHRISLIP WILLET... WILLOTS. She was born in Cumberland Co., PA Jan. 1870

- [b] Elizabeth CHRISLIP CROUSE m. Nicholas CROUSE-CROUSE. There was at least one son named George CROUSE or CROUSE, living in 1822. She was d/o Jacob and Nancy (SINGER) CHRISLIP and b. 5 Sep 1781. Would like to locate descendants.
- [c] Christina CHRISLIP REED m. Jesse REED 23 May 1806 in Harrison Co. Moved to Union Co., OH, where both died. She was d/o of Jacob and Nancy (SINGER) CHRISLIP. Children were Jacob, William, Sarah, Jesse C. Edwin Simpson Duncan, Nancy, Matilda and Samuel. Seek any info on desc.
- [d] Catherine, another dau. of Jacob and Nancy, m. Hugh O'CONNER 18 Aug 1814 according to Harrison Co Marriage Records. Name appears as CONNER and O'CONNER in records. At least one son, James CONNER, living in 1822. Her tombstone, erected by her son, has an inscription "Journal - Washington, D.C." ??? She died in 1818. Seek desc.
- [e] Seek desc. of Nancy CHRISLIP OURS who m. Jacob OURS 4 Jul 1816. She was d/o Jacob and Nancy.
- [f] Margaret CHRISLIP, d/o Jacob and Nancy, m. David JENKINS 30 Jul 1826. According to Harrison Co Marriage Records her name is shown as Martha and she was called "Patty". Shed d. 30 Jun 1855/ Barbour Co. . . name given as Patty. Seek desc.
- [g] Seek desc. of Julia Ann CORDER and Elizabeth J. REEDER, daughters of Abram CHRISLIP and Amanda (BRITTON) CHRISLIP. Julia Ann m. Alpheus CORDER in 1858. Family in 1870 Barbour Co. census with two children - names appear to be Somna J.M. CORDER, age 8, female and Eldoras CORDER, age 5, male. They moved to Carthage, ILL, date unknown. Elizabeth m. Albert A. REEDER in 1865. They may have had daughter named Dessie REEDER who m. a KING. They moved to Carthage, IL, and Elizabeth died there.
- [h] Edith CHRISLIP WRIGHT m. Willis WRIGHT in 1834. By 1857 she had the following children: Mary, Sarah, George, Nancy, Edith, Emily, James W. A George WRIGHT appears in the 1870 Barbour Co. census with wife Sarah. She is shown as age 34 and he as age 32. I would like to find desc. of Edith who apparently died in ca 1857. She was d/o George CHRILIP I and Mary (RICE) CHRISLIP.
- [i] Seek desc. Sarah Jane CHRISLIP GEORGE, d/o

Thomas B. CHRISLIP and Camellia WILSON. She m. Abby GEORGE in 1862. A family with name of Elem GEORGE appears in 1870 and 1880 Barbour Co. census with wife Sarah J. but her age is not in agreement with age of Sarah Jane CHRISLIP who was born in 1837. She is shown as age 22 in 1870 census and 32 in 1880 (10 years younger than she was.)

[j] Barbara Yaning CHRISLIP, d/o Thomas B. and Camellia (WILSON) CHRISLIP, m. John CLEVINGER in 1862. It appears she died and John remarried Malissa J. \_\_\_\_\_. In 1880 Calhoun census is a John CLEVINGER with wife Malissa J. He is 39 and she is 29. Children are David, b ca 1864, and Rosalpha A., b ca 1865, who may be children of Barbara. Another child is Jemima C., age 10. Seek Barbara's desc.

[k] Roseta (Rosie) CHRISLIP, d/o George McKendre CHRISLIP, was b. ca 1869, m. Theodore UNDERWOOD date unknown. At least one child, Theodore UNDERWOOD, who lived in Ohio. Seek desc. Her twin sisters, Matrony (Trona) and Ella, were b ca 1878, probably in Barbour Co, WV. Did the twins marry? Any desc?

[l] Elizabeth (Eliza) CRISLIP m. James P. CRISS in 1841. Had at least three children, Sylvester, John and Henry CRISS. Henry m. Rebecca \_\_\_\_\_ and the family appears in both 1870 and 1880 Barbour census. Children were: Alva, b ca 1869; Malasee, b ca 1871; Ira, b ca 1873; Isetta, b ca 1875; Oda, b ca 1877. It is believed that the James P. CRISS family in 1870 Barbour census is same couple and it shows two other children of Eliza CRISLIP CRISS - Margaret, b ca 1851, and Hester, b ca 1858. Any info on this family would be appreciated.

[m] Jemima CRISLIP O'NEAL m. Lemuel O'NEAL in 1841. Children: Albert, b ca 1847; Mary, b ca 1849; James, b ca 1856; Emma, b ca 1858; Hester, b ca 1844; Martha, b ca 1851; and Lewis, b ca 1850. Mary m. Chapin GLASCOCK and was in 1870 census but apparently he died as she was shown living with her brother, Lewis O'NEAL in 1880 Barbour Co. census. She had children: Annas, female b ca 1870; Emma, female, b ca 1874; and Troy, male, b. ca 1872. Hester O'NEAL m. John G. CARLIN in 1866/Barbour Co. Strangely, she is shown with her parents in 1870 census and also with John G. Carlin as his wife. They lived on Stewarts' Run, Barbour Co, WV. Their children in 1870 census Rosetta CARLINE, b 1868 and Laura CARLIN, B CA 1872. Seek descendants of any of this family. Marjorie HEATER HERRING, 12016 Midlake Dr., Dallas, TX 75218



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